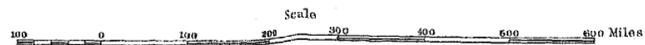

THE IRON ORES
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- EXPLANATION OF COLORS.
- Magnetites
 - Hematites (including specular ores)
 - Pissil or Dyestone ores
 - Limonites
 - Carbonates (principally of the Coal Measures)
 - Bog ores

The ground tints indicate the areas of the ore fields; the dots indicate in a general way the position of the mines, or groups of mines, worked or sampled in the census year.



GEOGRAPHICAL AND GEOLOGICAL DISTRIBUTION OF THE IRON ORES OF THE UNITED STATES.

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The great coal-field of the central United States is surrounded on the north, east, and south by the uplifted older rocks of the Wisconsin—Michigan, the Appalachian, and the Ozark regions.

This basin and its border contain the fuel and the ore on which and with which the material prosperity of the United States of the twentieth century must be built. It becomes, therefore, of importance to obtain a general survey of the distribution of the various kinds of iron ore both geographically and in the geological column.

On the extreme edge of the border that incloses the coal basin we find in the north and east the Archæan with its immense development of magnetic and specular ores. Next within this and overlying it is the Canadian-Cambrian series, the substructure of the first great longitudinal valley of the Appalachians extending from Canada to Alabama. This valley is not less remarkable for its enormous wealth in limonite ores than for the fertility and durability of its soil. Still farther inward the shales of the Clinton age mark a belt of hematite ore extending from central Alabama to and through eastern New York, and thence westward across the state. The belt thus outlined will be seen, on the map, to have a breadth of from 50 to over 100 miles. Within it, but less persistent in longitudinal representation, are deposits of iron ores occurring—some here some there—in strata of almost every age from the Archæan to the Coal-measures, and the great coal-field thus iron-bound is itself rich in carbonate ores, generally occurring either as clay iron stone, or as black band, or in places as a ferriferous limestone altered to limonite. The map does not attempt to represent the actual distribution of the ores of the Coal-measures, but only the areas within which they were sampled for this investigation.

On the south the Archæan rocks come to the surface only in eastern Missouri, and they here exhibit a great development of magnetic and specular ores. But they occupy only a small area in the broad iron-bearing belt on the map that stretches with a breadth of 100 miles or more northwesterly from Alabama to western Missouri. With the exception of the Missouri Archæan ores this belt consists wholly of later ores, viz, specular and limonite ores of the Cambrian in Missouri, and limonites on the Subcarboniferous limestones of Missouri, Tennessee, and Kentucky.

On the north, far removed from the coal-field, are the extensive and numerous deposits of rich specular and magnetic ores of the Huronian in northern Minnesota and northern Michigan. Farther eastward the northern border is represented beyond our field of investigation by ores of different kinds, but especially Archæan in that part of the territory of the Dominion of Canada lying north of the great lakes.

Iron in various mineral conditions, and especially as an oxide, is among the most widely disseminated of the elements. It is a base with a strong affinity for the acids most frequent in the waters circulating in the upper crust of the earth, viz, carbonic, sulphuric, and the organic, acids. It also has a stronger affinity for oxygen, and in the presence of this it forms the nearly indestructible and—in the ordinary processes of nature—in the absence of organic matter, almost insoluble sesquioxide. As a sesquioxide, in the presence of organic matter, it provides the oxygen for decay, and its residuary protoxide is itself dissolved by the resulting organic acid, and enters into circulation. If the laboratory is a marsh or pond, the iron protosalt is reoxidized at the surface of the water and returns to the bottom as the higher oxide to again part with part of its oxygen and again to be dissolved as a protosalt, and this is continued until the organic matter is consumed; then the iron accumulates on the bottom as a hydrated oxide, or limonite, or "bog-ore".

Rock strata containing organic matter and diffused iron oxide have lived through similar processes, except that the iron, after furnishing its oxygen to the decaying matter and forming a soluble protosalt with the resulting organic acid, has entered into more extended circulation.

The most common solvents of iron in nature are carbonic acid and sulphuric acid; the latter becomes an important agent in moving and concentrating iron, under certain circumstances, as in solfataric action and in the

oxidation of pyritiferous rocks like the Devonian shales of Pennsylvania and Virginia. But doubtless carbonic acid is the most general agent. Besides arising from the oxidation of organic matter confined in sedimentary strata, it enters the earth as an accessory of rain-water, and more is taken up by the water from the decaying vegetable mold; it is also liberated in depth from limestone by the action of chemical processes and enters the ascending currents. However formed, it becomes an accessory constituent of the water that permeates the rocks, and, alone or in connection with other agents, it decomposes the silicates and carries off the iron as a bicarbonate. It follows the channels of flow until it reaches an arresting cause. One such arresting cause, of ultimately great economic importance, is the carbonate of lime in limestones and dolomites and calcareous sandstones resulting in the replacement of lime by iron; another, of equal importance, is oxygen, whether at the surface, where the soluble iron protosalt emerging in spring-water is oxidized to a limonite, or in caverns or small cavities, where it is oxidized and, parting with its acid, is deposited in successive thin films to form stalactitic and mammillary masses of hydrated sesquioxide; therefore, when we consider the general diffusion of iron in both detrital and crystalline rocks, in all sediments and all eruptions, and its remarkable reciprocating relation in the most common and essential processes of nature, it is not strange that we should find it represented by local accumulations in the rocks of every geological age.

How unequal, from an economic point of view, the geological and geographical distribution of concentrated deposits is, will appear from the following review, and from the columnar chart, and from the statistical tables accompanying this chapter:

The survey of the ore-producing field of the United States gives us a pretty good knowledge of the areas within which future discoveries are to be expected. The great wave of activity in the industry in 1880 and 1881 caused a very energetic exploration throughout the old fields and into new ones. This resulted in very few discoveries in the already producing districts. It was made clear that to find new deposits exploration has to go into new fields. On Lake Superior the Gogebic district in Michigan, and the Vermillion district in Minnesota, already known to contain iron, were actively explored, and railroads are now built into them. The same cause led to the development of new fields in the southeastern states.

But the growth of the iron industry, notwithstanding its fluctuations as a whole, is making an enormous drain upon the productive deposits of ores of certain classes, such as ores of higher grades in iron percentage, Bessemer ores, etc.

The producing capacity of mines is enlarged to meet the demand and to diminish the cost per ton; small deposits become exhausted; the end of medium-sized ones becomes evident, and with the really great ones, which are also really few in number, it is only a question of years. To satisfy the demands, growing larger every decade for these ores, new fields will need to be found. In a general way we can outline these for the eastern half of the United States. Extensive stretches of the Archæan highlands, especially in Pennsylvania and North Carolina, promise discoveries if subjected to careful magnetic surveys, and the same may be said of the Adirondacks. The Archæan areas north and south of Lake Superior are unquestionably the great fields of future discovery. In the Michigan-Wisconsin areas the ore-bearing horizons of the Huronian are known to extend hundreds of miles through the little-explored wilderness as "iron ranges" waiting for the discovery of the richer ore-bodies. This is notably the case in the region through which the lower members of the Huronian extend to connect the Marquette and Menomonee regions. In regard to the ores of Canadian age, doubtless new limonite discoveries will be made in the "valley" in Pennsylvania toward compensating the exhaustion of known bodies. But the future field for ores of this age, especially specular, is in the Ozark region of Missouri and Arkansas. With the fossil ores it is only a question of a few years before the hematites will be exhausted. The world's consumption of iron and steel must increase largely, and the practical exhaustion of accessible rich ores will perhaps be compassed within the life of the present generation. We shall have then to fall back upon the leaner ores, that is, largely upon the siliceous-specular and siliceous-magnetic ores, ranging between 30 per cent. and 45 per cent. in iron. Of these there are vast quantities, though generally remote from metallurgical coal, and especially in the Huronian of the Lake Superior iron regions. At present in the east the magnetites smelted probably do not average above 50 per cent. in iron, while in Michigan and Missouri they average not less than 60 per cent.

That lower grades of these hard ores find their way to market is shown by the fact that in the census year there were mined in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and New York, 336,767 tons of magnetite, more or less siliceous, carrying below 45 per cent. iron. There were also mined, chiefly in Pennsylvania, 697,283 tons of limonite, mostly aluminous, carrying less than 40 per cent. iron.

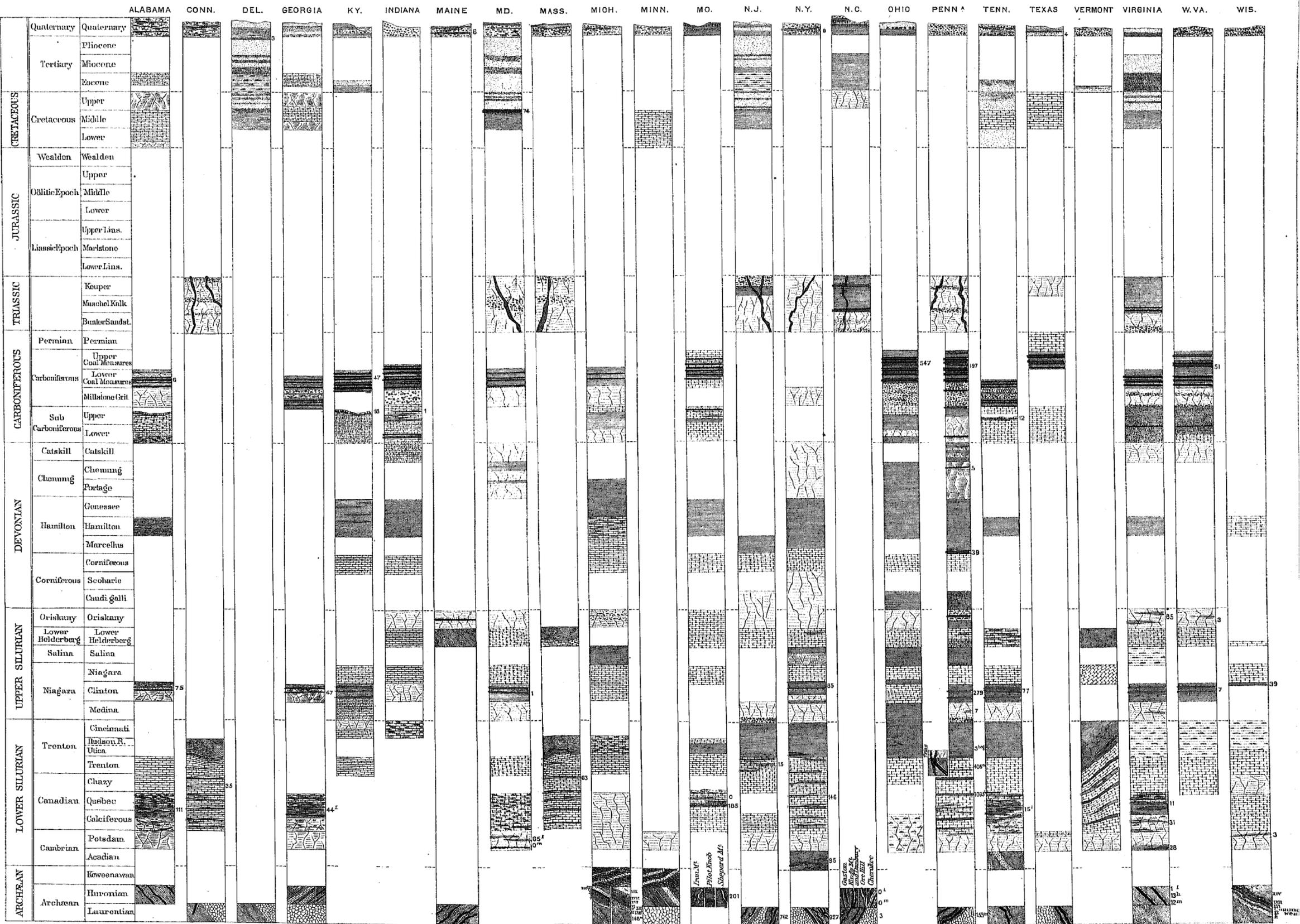
Geologically speaking, the lowest iron ores are included in the Archæan rocks, and of such occurrences we have a number of fields. The great highland range of mountains that now forms the eastern bulwark of our continent, as it probably once formed the western maritime range of a Palæozoic Atlantis, is stored with bodies of magnetite from New England to Georgia. Between lakes Ontario and Champlain lies an important Archæan region, with a variety of magnetic ores.

On the northwestern and southern shores of Lake Superior the upper member of the Archæan contains numerous and immense deposits of both specular and magnetic ores.

GEOLOGICAL DISTRIBUTION OF THE IRON ORES OF THE UNITED STATES.

Compiled chiefly from the State Geological Surveys.

The figures on the right of the columns indicate the number of thousands of tons of iron mined from the horizons near which they are placed in the Census year. Where several kinds of ore were produced from one horizon, the tonnage of each kind is indicated by the use of alphabetical letters as follows: 1. hematite, h.; limonite, l.; magnetite, m.; hematite and limonite, h. l.



Magnetite
Hematite
Limonite
Carbonates and derivatives

The fourth Archæan region east of the Rocky mountains, that of Missouri, is very limited in comparison with the two already mentioned, but it also contains several great ore-bodies. Farther west, ore-deposits of various kinds are known at several points in the Archæan of the Cordilleras. Each of the eastern Archæan fields is

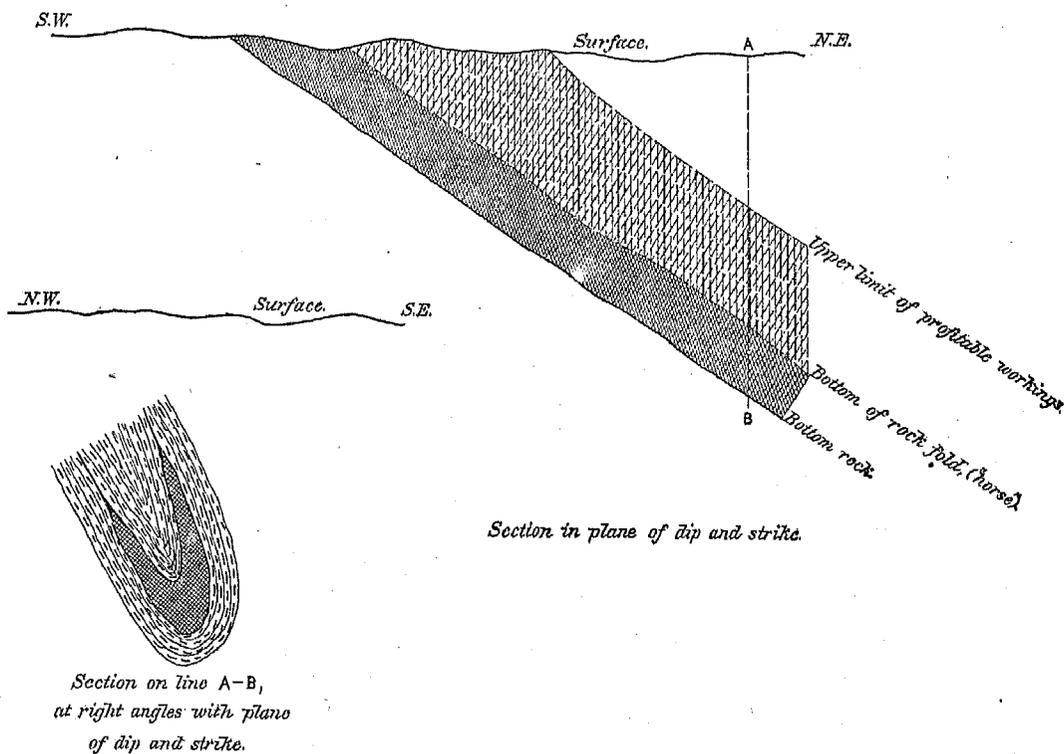


FIG. 1.—SKETCHES TO ILLUSTRATE A COMPRESSED PITCHING SYNCLINAL OF MAGNETIC ORE.

stamped with a marked individuality, not only in its structure and lithological constitution, but also in the habit of its ore occurrences. The eastern Highland range consists of Laurentian gneisses, syenitic and granitic rocks and limestones, and its ores are almost exclusively magnetites. The Adirondack-Champlain region consists of Laurentian gneisses, differently arranged structurally from the Highland range. The Lake Superior ores are specular and magnetic ores bedded in the schists of the Huronian; and the Missouri-Archæan ores are both specular and magnetic, and the alteration product of the latter—martite, and they occur exclusively associated with porphyries and elastic porphyry rocks, supposed to be of Huronian age. And parallel with these differences go fundamental differences in the forms of deposits and character of ores. In the Highland range the rocks are stratiform and tilted, striking northeast and southwest, and dipping steeply to the southeast. They form a belt from 10 to 20 miles wide. They consist in New Jersey and New York chiefly of hornblendic gneiss or syenite granite, and crystalline limestone. According to Mr. Smock, of the geological survey of New Jersey, and a special agent in the statistical part of our census work, these gneisses are rarely free from magnetite, and are often sufficiently impregnated with it to form immense beds of lean ore, and in places workable deposits.

Magnetite ore-bodies also occur occasionally in the crystalline limestone.

As stated in Mr. Putnam's report, in many of the mines there is no sharp plane of demarkation between the ore and the wall rock, the ore and the gneiss both carrying the same minerals in inverse proportions. In going from the center of an ore-body outward the gneiss minerals increase as the ore diminishes, the limit of the ore-body

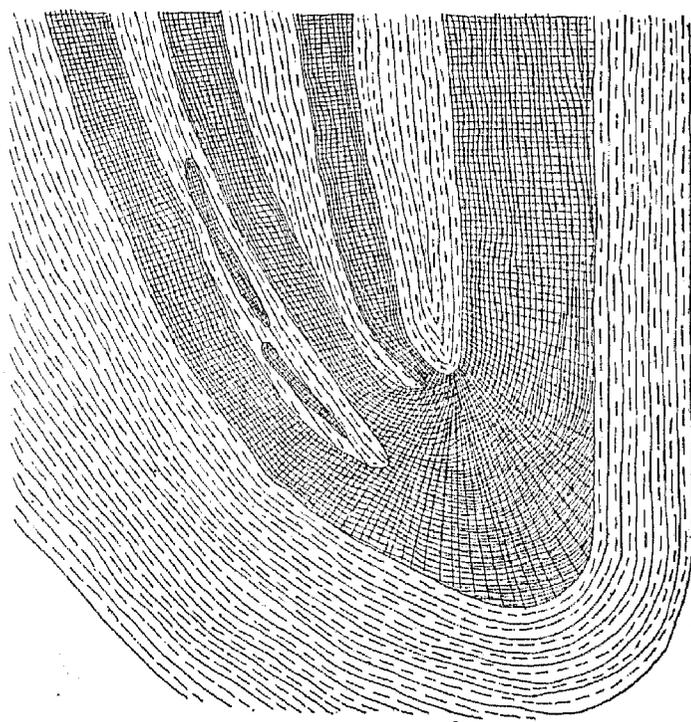


FIG. 2.—SECTION AT THE HURD MINE, MORRIS COUNTY, NEW JERSEY. From *Geology of New Jersey*, 1868.

being that at which the ore becomes unprofitably lean. In other mines the demarkation is sharply indicated by a smooth wall. A marked peculiarity of the ore-bodies of this highland range is in their structural forms. As will be seen by referring to Mr. Putnam's report, or to the publications of the Geological Survey of New Jersey, there are two well-defined forms: (1) The narrow synclinal, in which the relatively narrow and thin ore-body occupies the bottom of a synclinal fold (Figs. 1 and 2). (2) The "pinch and shoot". In this the single "shoot" is a pod-shaped body, thick along its longitudinal axis, but growing rapidly thinner toward its edges. Several of these are often close together in the same plane of stratification and connected by a thin stratum of ore, a "pinch". (Fig. 3).

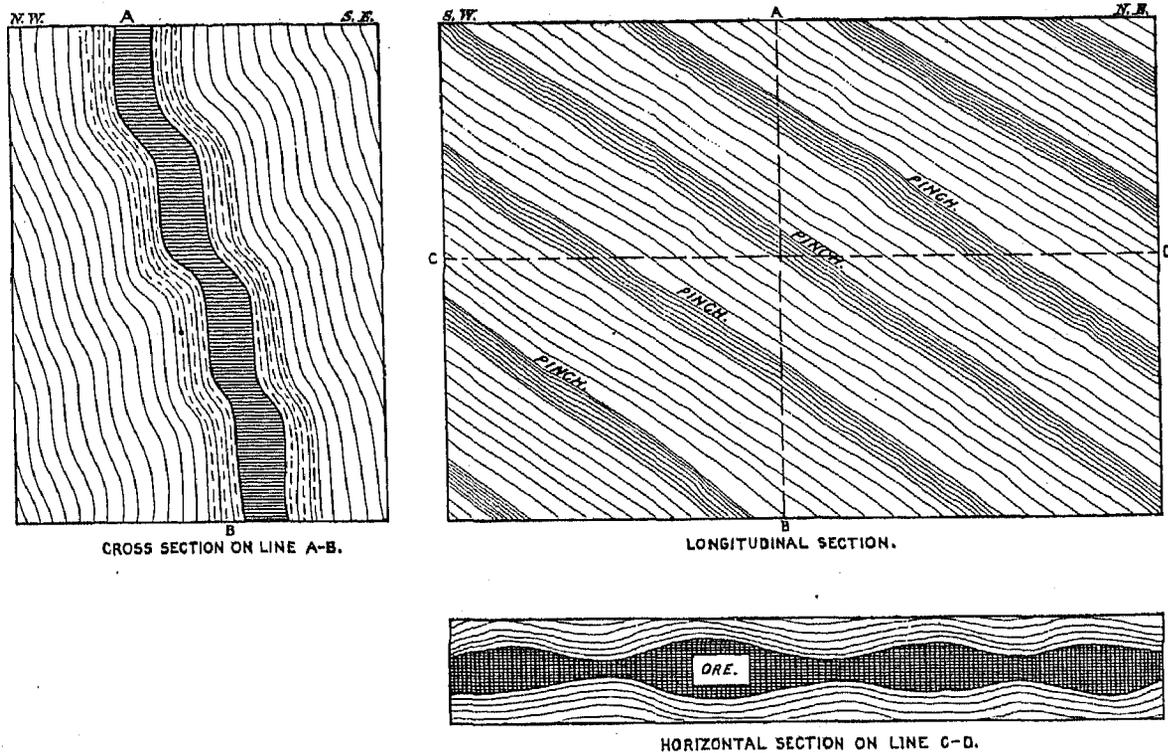


FIG. 3.—SKETCHES TO ILLUSTRATE THE "PINCH AND SHOOT" STRUCTURE OF SOME OF THE NEW JERSEY MAGNETIC ORE DEPOSITS.

NOTE.—The vein of ore is generally relatively much thinner at the pinches than is indicated in the "cross-section on line A-B". The ore is sometimes entirely "cut out" by the walls coming together.

In both of these the ore-body is of great and unknown length compared with its breadth, which is rarely over 100 feet, and its thickness, which is seldom more than 80 feet, and more commonly less than 30; in both the axial plane of the body is in the plane of stratification, and in both the longest axis is inclined, generally to the northeast. This inclination is called "pitch". The ore forms thus either a long, trough-shaped body, or a pod-shaped body, as the case may be, lying conformable to the bedding, but pitching in a direction between the strike and the dip of the gneiss. The ores are associated with quartz, hornblende, feldspar, and apatite. They range from 28 per cent. to 66 per cent. in iron and in phosphorus ratio from 0 to 3.65. But as a matter of fact the Bessemer ore mined in New Jersey contained less than 45 per cent. of iron and was produced by only a few mines.

This Archæan range passing out of New Jersey carries its ore-bearing habit with it into Pennsylvania, where it is known as the South mountain. It has not been as extensively explored for iron ore as in New Jersey and New York, but the ores occur in a similar manner, although they have a remarkably lower phosphorus ratio, bringing many of them within the Bessemer limit. This may be due to the fact that, unlike most of the New Jersey mines, these are south of the region of glaciation, and the opened portions of the deposits may be still within the zone that has been exposed to the action of solvents during geological ages, an action which generally diminishes largely the phosphorus ratio. As we go farther south along the Archæan range we find that the ore-bodies of this age have generally not been worked sufficiently to show fully their extent and frequency, nor their forms.

In Virginia the Archæan ores have been mined to some extent on the James river below Lynchburg, and farther to the southwest. The beds containing these ores are considered by Rogers to be probably of Huronian age. The ores are magnetite more or less altered to martite, and specular ore. The foot-wall is talcose or hydro mica-schist, and the hanging-wall a quartzite; and as a rule the specular lies next the schist, and the magnetic next or in the quartzite. This series of relations corresponds perfectly in kind and in order of succession with that of the rocks, fresh ores, and martite of the Marquette district of Lake Superior. The ore-lenses vary from 1 to 15 feet in thickness. In iron they range as mined from about 36 per cent. to 60 per cent., and they are very variable in phosphorus, of which the ratios range from 0.034 to 0.472. Hydrated ores in close proximity to these and contained in the schists have a high phosphorus ratio.

Passing into North Carolina, we find the range of Kerr's Lower Laurentian of western central North Carolina containing titaniferous magnetites in lenticular bodies. The Tuscarora and the Dannemora are the representatives of this class; they have very low phosphorus ratios, but carry considerable titanitic acid. In the high range, near the Tennessee border, the gneisses of the Upper Laurentian carry deposits of magnetite, of which the Cranberry and Big Rock Creek mines are examples. Like the New Jersey deposits, these ores are mixed with silicates, pyroxene (instead of hornblende), epidote, etc. The phosphorus ratios of these ores are very low, 0.006 to 0.037. Certain mica-schists, near Danbury, sufficiently impregnated with magnetite to be profitably mined, and becoming charged with pyrites below water-level, are assigned by Kerr to the Upper Laurentian. Our samples gave a phosphorus ratio above the Bessemer limit, but the analyses of the washed ore show that washing lowers the phosphorus ratio to well within that limit. Magnetite occurs in lenticular masses and in workable impregnated beds in the group of schists—mica, chlorite, talcose, and itacolumbite—of western North Carolina, which are assigned by Kerr to the Huronian. They have a very low phosphorus ratio—0.002 to 0.075. Stratified specular ore occurs in the Huronian schists of central North Carolina. At Buckhorn it was worked with a local thickness of 36 feet, associated with manganese and garnet rock. These ores were found to be low in iron, and to contain some titanium, but they have a low phosphorus ratio, 0.043 to 0.070.

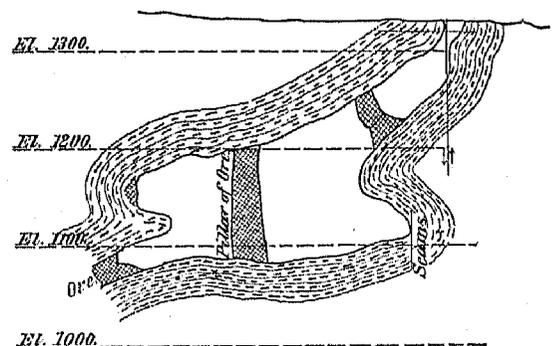
One of the most important among the ore-bearing Archæan fields is that of northern New York. It belongs, structurally, to the great Canadian nuclear area, and is separated from the Appalachian Laurentian formation by the Paleozoic rocks of eastern New York. It is pre-eminently a region of Laurentian gneisses, and in these occur some of the most extensive as well as most complicated ore-bodies on the continent. The forms of the ore-bodies are interstratified, irregular lenses, in places forming several parallel beds, and lying in simple monoclinals; at others, squeezed into the pinch and shoot form, so common in New Jersey, or, again, enormously thickened in the enlarged bends of corrugated folds, as at Mineville. Many of the ore-bodies are, like those of New Jersey, largely mixed with the minerals of the adjoining rocks, quartz, feldspar, hornblende, and in places an excess of apatite.

They are easily classified into (1) ores high in phosphorus and low in sulphur; (2) ores low in both phosphorus and sulphur; (3) pyritiferous ore usually low in phosphorus; (4) titaniferous ore.

According to Mr. O. E. Hall, the non-titaniferous iron ores belong in the Lower Laurentian, and these divide again into an upper horizon with ores low in phosphorus, and a lower highly phosphatic horizon of ore. The titaniferous ores he assigns to the Upper Laurentian. Where ore-bodies rich in phosphorus occur near others much freer from this impurity, the latter are seen to occupy a higher horizon, as in the Mineville group, where the New Bed, Barton Hill, and Fisher Hill mines, belonging higher in the gneisses, are low in iron, 39 to 50 per cent., and contain abundantly intermixed quartz, but have a very low phosphorus ratio, 0.005 to 0.096. These ores are frequently enriched by separation to over 60 per cent. iron, for use in the local forges. On the other hand, the lower horizon, exemplified by the "Old Bed" and "Mine 21", contains immense bodies of ore of very complicated structure. The enormous size of the ore bodies is ascribed by Mr. B. T. Putnam, with much soundness of reasoning, to the spreading apart of the strata in an S fold, and in support of his view he presents very instructive sections. One of these sections is annexed (Fig. 4).

"Old Bed" and "Mine 21", practically one mine, shipped together in the census year 395,864 tons, and their total product was then estimated to have been 3,584,000 tons. The ores of this lower horizon are higher in iron, ranging between 57 and 67 per cent. They have also a very high phosphorus ratio, ranging between 0.689 and 2.428. The ores of this horizon owe their phosphorus clearly to the presence of an unusual amount of apatite, this mineral being in places so abundant in the ore as to have been mined for its own sake.

South of Lake Superior there is a great Archæan area, extending from the lake southward into Wisconsin, and flanked on the east by the Paleozoic rocks of the Michigan basin, and on the west partly by the Lower Silurian sandstone and partly by the older copper-bearing rocks of the Keweenaw. The central part of this area is chiefly a region of gneisses, with hornblende schists, which by Foster and Whitney were assigned to the Archæan, and later, by Major Brooks, Professor Irving, Credner, and myself have been provisionally considered Laurentian. Lying unconformably on this is the great series of schists which occupy most of the area, and are considered by the same geologists to be Huronian. This upper series is the great iron-bearing member of the Archæan. At or near its base is a heavy quartzite. While the iron series occurs uniformly in the lower part of the Huronian, its structure and character varies in different places. In the Negaunee district it consists of a lower and an upper series. The lower is made up of flag-ores, silicious and ferruginous schists, and some argillaceous and talcose slates and anthophyllitic schists and beds of diabase. The ores of this lower series contain less than 50 per cent. of iron, except where the quartz has been removed and its place taken by rich limonite.



SECTION THROUGH MILLER PIT.
MINEVILLE, NEW YORK.

FIG. 4.

The upper series, which is separated from the lower by a bed of diabase, and a thinner bed of chloritic and talcose slate, contains the rich ores. It consists of a thick mass of banded iron and "jasper", the iron-ore being pure and the jasper generally colored red; and this relation and purity is retained throughout and forms an essential characteristic of the upper series. In places the jasper layers disappear, leaving extensive beds of pure ore; in others the ore gives way to the jasper. In places subsequent chemical action has removed portions of the jasper, while the space thus formed has been filled with limonite in large quantities, as at the Lake Superior mine. The upper part of this upper series has generally a bed of talcose slate, in which the fissile cleavage is wholly independent of the bedding, and which is impregnated with small octahedra of martite. The ore in contact with this slate has the same structure and is impregnated with similar crystals of martite. The upper portion of the upper series consists of beds of rich ore, often granular martite, with talcose schists and very talcose quartzites.

In the western part of Marquette county the ore series occupies the same geological position and exhibits a similar structure, but the ore is to a great extent magnetic, though it is accompanied by more or less important beds of specular ore. The relation between the two varieties appears to be such as would arise from an increased development, toward the west, of the uppermost beds of the upper series of Negaunee, where, as we have seen, there are granular martites which once were magnetites. Just beneath the magnetic beds occurs the banded formation of specular ore and jasper, identical in character with that of the Negaunee district. At several of the mines the disappearance of the jasper layers leaves great workable masses of pure specular ore, as at the Republic mine, where the specular predominates over the magnetic.

At this, the western end of the Marquette county ore-field, the basin is narrowed to a width of 2 miles before opening out to form the broad Huronian area of the central part of the Upper Peninsula. The northern edge of the basin is formed by the iron series which, extending along the northern shore of Lake Michigamme, contains the great magnetic deposits of the Michigamme and Spurr Mountain mines. The iron series of the southern edge, containing the Washington, Edwards, Keystone, and Champion magnetic mines bends southwest, forming the southern shore of the lake, and then, with a sharp turn to the southeast, it forms a trough 7 miles long and less than 1 mile wide. In the loop, at the southeastern end, the entire lower and upper series are beautifully represented, culminating in the extensive beds of both specular and magnetic ores of the Republic mine.

It will be seen by reference to table 8 and to the tables of analyses that the mines of the Marquette-Michigamme region shipped 1,346,365 tons of ore ranging from 69 per cent. to 41½ per cent. in iron, with phosphorus ratios ranging from 0.306 to 0.014.

The iron-bearing horizon of the Huronian sweeps from the western end of the Marquette-Michigamme region southward through a little-explored country to the Menomonee region, where it forms several great ranges, only one of which has been extensively developed as yet.

Here it has two extensively-worked ore-bearing horizons, the lower an immense series, many hundred feet thick, of silicious ores, ranging from 50 per cent. downward in iron, and associated with crystalline limestones and argillaceous and talco-chloritic schists. In this series occur the large beds and lenses of very rich, soft specular ore; some of the mines, as the Chapin and Norway, ranking among the great producers of the continent. The mines in the Menominee region shipped 491,347 tons of ore, ranging in iron contents from 67½ per cent. to 38½ per cent., and in phosphorous ratio 0.285 per cent. to 0.000.

West of the Menominee and Michigamme rivers there is a great area of slate rocks, forming in part the upper member of the Huronian. This upper horizon, consisting of quartzites, argillaceous and garnetiferous chloritic slates, bears extensive deposits of compact specular ore, which are worked on a large scale on the Paint river and on the Wisconsin side of the Menominee river. These ores are considered by Major Brooks to be younger than the upper rich ores of the Marquette district. The mines of this horizon were opening, but had not shipped any ore during the census year. Its opening mines were sampled, and the analyses show that the phosphorus ratio is much too high for Bessemer. The iron in the ore as mined for shipment ranged from 46 to 60 per cent., and the phosphorus ratio from 0.288 to 0.072.

The product of the whole Lake Superior region during the census year may be classified as follows:

BY KINDS OF ORE AND ITS CONTENTS IN METALLIC IRON.

<i>Hematite</i> (including the hard specular ore of the Marquette region and the soft specular ore of the Menominee region):		Tons.
Containing over 60 per cent. of iron		993,813
Containing from 45 to 60 per cent. of iron		360,283
Containing under 45 per cent. of iron .....		.....
Total hematite		<u>1,354,096</u>
<i>Magnetite</i> :		
Containing over 60 per cent. of iron		148,719
Containing from 45 to 60 per cent. of iron .....		.....
Containing under 45 per cent. of iron .....		.....
Total magnetite		<u>148,719</u>

<i>Limonite</i> (i. e., the Negaunee and allied "soft hematites"):	Tons.
Containing over 50 per cent. of iron.....	315, 740
Containing from 40 to 50 per cent. of iron.....	14, 157
Containing under 40 per cent. of iron.....	
Total limonite.....	329, 897
Grand total.....	1, 837, 712

BY PHOSPHORUS RATIOS (OR CONTENTS OF PHOSPHORUS PER 100 PARTS OF IRON).

[A partial classification.]

With phosphorus ratio less than 0.05.....	187, 896
With phosphorus ratio from 0.05 to 0.10.....	760, 693
With phosphorus ratio from 0.10 to 0.35.....	777, 317
With phosphorus ratio from 0.50 to 1.00.....	8, 080
Total ore classified.....	1, 733, 986
Total ore unclassified.....	103, 726
Grand total.....	1, 837, 712

And by reference to the graphic diagrams, Plates XXIII and XXIV, it will be seen that the Michigan, i. e., the Lake Superior, mines produced nearly one-half of all the Bessemer ore raised in the United States. The Menomonee district alone produced over one-sixth of the whole amount. Further, the Lake Superior mines produced of ore carrying over 60 per cent. iron, 1,147,532 tons, or nearly 56 per cent. of all the ore of this grade mined in the United States; and the ores mined in this region in the census year are estimated to have contained 1,087,600 tons of iron, or 26 per cent. of the iron contained in the entire census year's product of the United States. At the western end of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan another extensive ore-bearing field, discovered by Major Brooks and myself in 1871, has recently been opened at the base of the Huronian. With intervals the ores have been exposed along a line extending from a point about 20 miles west of Lake Gogebic to the Montreal river. This region will begin its shipments in 1885. West of this the same ore-bearing horizon was described about 30 years ago by Colonel Charles Whittlesey, in Ashland county, Wisconsin, and commonly called the Penokie^(a) range. These ores being undeveloped in the census year were not sampled. They are stated to be high-grade Bessemer ores.

The Archaean mass that rises near the eastern end of the Ozark mountains, in Missouri, consists of areas of granitic rocks, which have been considered to be Laurentian, and of porphyries and porphyry conglomerates, which are probably of Huronian age. The iron ores of Missouri are associated with the porphyries and their conglomerates. Magnetic ores and martite occur in porphyry, in a true vein at Shepherd mountain, with 65½ per cent. iron and 0.020 phosphorus ratio; and in an immense irregular vein or mass, in places 60 feet thick (b), in decomposed porphyry, at Iron mountain, where the great ore-body sends countless anastomosing veins of ore abounding in crystals of apatite into the porphyry to form a reticulated mass of ore and rock (Fig. 5). Through the atmospheric removal of the decomposed porphyry, which has been going on probably since the Silurian time, the heavy and indestructible ore-veins have been left to form an accumulating mantle of ore detritus; and thick beds of stratified ore, pebbles, and porphyry-clay, around the base of the mountain, show that the Paleozoic ocean broke upon an already decomposing porphyry mass.

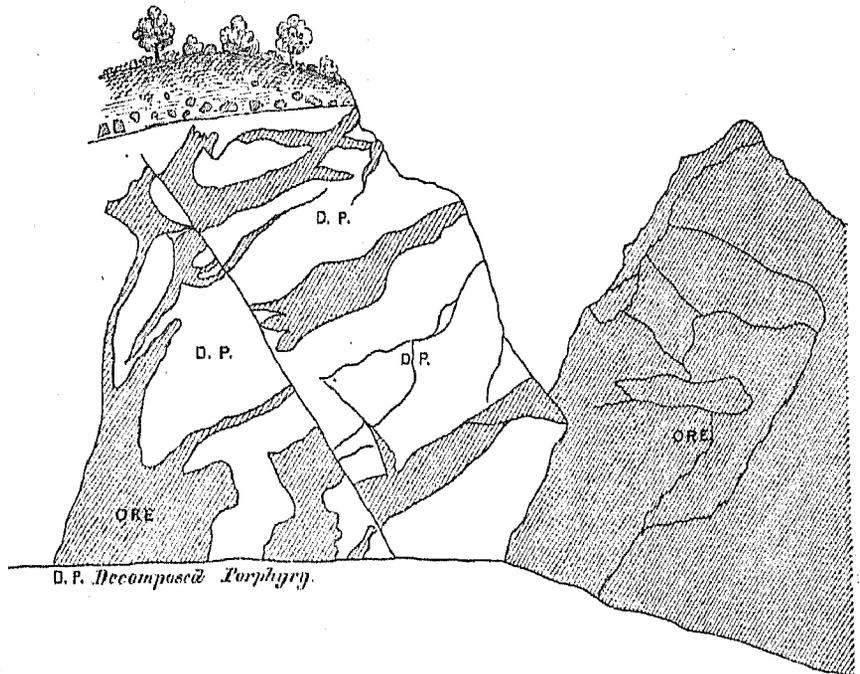


FIG. 5.—SECTION AT IRON MOUNTAIN, MISSOURI. From Geological Survey of Missouri, 1872.

The ore of the detritus mantle and of the beds at the base of the mountain has lost nearly all of its phosphorus through the weathering of the apatite crystals.

During the census year the product of Iron mountain was 144,153 tons. Five samples ranged in iron from 59 to 67 per cent., and in phosphorus ratio from 0.008 to 0.674.

^a Penokie is an uncorrected typographical error for *Penabic*, the Chippewa word for iron.

^b In 1872.

Pilot knob is a conical hill rising 662 feet above its base. It is composed of bedded porphyries overlaid by porphyry conglomerates, dipping about 13°. Near the top and beneath the conglomerate the hill is traversed by a conformably stratified bed of specular ore. There are really two beds, separated by a slate seam 1 to 3 feet thick. The lower bed, 25 to 40 feet thick, is largely of high-grade ore—52½ to 59½ per cent. iron in two samples, with phosphorus ratios, respectively, of 0.034 and 0.008. The upper bed is of irregular thickness, rising with a jagged upper surface into numerous points into the conglomerate. This upper bed, 6 to 10 feet or more thick, is leaner than the lower. But the sampling shows that it is susceptible of being sorted to produce an ore of 50 per cent. iron, with a phosphorus ratio of 0.050. At other points in this Archæan area the porphyry contains specular ores in irregular masses of unexplored extent. On Cedar hill such a deposit carries an extremely hard and brittle specular ore, which, however, has 66½ per cent. iron, with a phosphorus ratio of only 0.009. It is rather remarkable that the ores of Iron mountain, Pilot knob, and Shepherd mountain—all in porphyry—should be free from manganese. Highly manganeseiferous ores occur, however, in places in the porphyries of this region.

Magnetic ore occurs in small seams sometimes over 1 foot thick in gabbro-like rocks of Keweenaw age near Agate bay, on the Minnesota shore of Lake Superior. Mr. Willis' sample gave 51.71 iron, with a phosphorus ratio of 0.052.

An examination of the chart giving the geological distribution of the ores will show how generally iron ore in *workable deposits* is distributed. There is scarcely a geological horizon that is not iron-ore bearing in some part of the United States, or even in the Appalachian region alone. The lowest ores above the Archæan appear to be the hematite deposits in the Cambrian.

In Virginia, where the Potsdam sandstone (No. I) becomes slaty toward the bottom, and graduates into reddish and olive shales toward the top, these upper shales contain deposits of hematite, which is silicious and rather low in iron.

Next in importance to the Archæan magnetites of the Appalachian fields stand the limonites, associated with the Siluro-Cambrian limestones and schists. In the Appalachian region—from northern Vermont to central Alabama—there is a limonite-bearing belt of national importance. It occupies the great valley region that forms the depression between the lofty Archæan chain on the east, and the Upper Silurian ridges that form the corrugated front of the great plateau to the west. This great anticlinal depression represents the position of the Cambrian, Canadian, and Trenton formations. In western New England these rocks are highly metamorphosed, and form, as has been finally demonstrated by Professor Dana, the argillites, hydromica-schists, gneisses, quartzites, and limestones of the Taconic. In the central region—in Pennsylvania—they are the magnesian limestones and interbedded hydromica slates, together constituting Formation II of the Pennsylvania survey and the Canadian of Dana, overlaid by the rocks of the Trenton. In Virginia, Formation II consists of more or less dolomitic limestone, with heavy beds of chert and variegated and more or less calcareous slates.

Farther south, in Tennessee, Formation II is represented by the still less metamorphosed sandstones, shales, and thick dolomites of the Knox group. Throughout the length of this belt limonite ores have been known and worked for more than a century. They occur throughout the limestone areas in deposits of clay that are the residuary or leached outcroppings of beds that are interstratified with the limestones or schists and quartzites. In this clay the ore occurs, as a rule, in small pieces in concretionary, massive, earthy, or botryoidal shape. When hollow, as in the concretionary bomb or pot ore, the inner surface is usually glossy and black from a film of oxide of manganese. As a rule, the fractures of these, as of the other forms, except the earthy variety, show the silky fibrous texture due to crystallization. The bombs, which occasionally contain stalactites of limonite—"pipe-ore"—are filled with soft clay or water. The ore thus scattered through the clay has to be washed to effect a separation from this. I believe this is the general character of the ore throughout this long belt. The deposits vary in extent and in the relative abundance of the ore in the clay. They also vary as regards the nature of the inclosing-walls. In some cases, as at Ore hill, in Connecticut, these are both schists; in others, as at the Clove mine, New York, they are both limestone; in others the ore-body may have limestone on one side and schist or quartzite on the other. In some cases, where the bottom of the ore has been reached, it has been found to rest on limestone, *i. e.*, the ore and clay deposits were found to have occupied the position of that part of an original limestone bed which lay above the drainage-level. Where the walls are of clay this frequently retains the original structure of the schists, to the decomposition of which it owes its origin, and where the schist contained veins of quartz these remain in place.

In some cases, as at the Gridley mine, in New York, "horses" of carbonate of iron occur in the ore deposits, and at least in one case, according to Professor Dana, the carbonate shows a stratification quite conformable to that of the neighboring limestones. These limonite occurrences appear to stand in a close genetic relation to the limestone and the hydromica-schists, for they are not only in close proximity to the limestone beds, but they are, as Professor Dana has shown, generally confined to those portions of the limestone belt in which the hydromica-schists occur, and they avoid those parts where the schists are argillitic instead of hydromicaeous.

I do not propose to discuss the numerous hypotheses that have been advanced to explain the origin of the limonite deposits. The view which seems to be advocated by Professor Dana (*a*) is that these deposits have resulted

from the leaching of beds, either of carbonate of iron or of limestone carrying iron carbonates. This view is favored by the close relation of the deposits to the limestones, and by the occurrence within them of masses of carbonate of iron having their surfaces and cracks occupied by limonite as an alteration product. And also by the fact that beds of iron carbonate exist and are mined in the Hudson river slates near the Hudson. But there are many circumstances that seem to point to a more complicated origin.

Mr. Prime states that, in Pennsylvania, some deposits have resulted from the leaching of hydromica-schists and others from that of limestone, and that it is easy to distinguish the one from the other, because the clays derived from the schist are white, while yellow clay is left by the limestone. He says that the ore in the clays residuary to the limestone are much less regular, and are generally associated with fragments of angular chert, and it is here that the pipe-ore occurs chiefly. On the other hand, the pot- and wash-ore occurs most abundantly when associated with the damourite slate or with the clay resulting from it.

In Virginia this formation does not seem to carry as extensive deposits as in Pennsylvania and New England, and the formation itself appears to have suffered less metamorphism. An excellent illustration of the formation of limonite by pseudomorphism in mass, so to speak, from limestone was observed in some Virginian localities by Mr. Benton. In Wythe county the limonite is closely associated with limestone and shales, both of which were assigned by Professor Rogers to his Formation II (Canadian). The derivation of a cavernous limonite from a limestone^(a) was observed by Mr. Benton at Hurst bank, in Wythe county. Here a thinly-laminated limestone is much broken; the interstices between the laminae, as well as the cracks crossing them, are filled with hard limonite; in a further stage the fragments of limestone, inclosed in the limonite network, become smaller, softened, and brown; in the most advanced stage the limestone fragments have disappeared, leaving only cavities containing sandy ocher. Thus the final result is a cavernous limonite, with its cavities containing the residuary insoluble impurities of the limestone.

The hydromica-schists seem to be absent, or at least not prominent, in Tennessee, and the descriptions appear to indicate that the deposits are there more of the nature of those derived from the limestone in Pennsylvania. The great Knox group, corresponding to the Calciferous and Quebec (Dana), consists of Knox sandstone overlaid by Knox shales, and this overlaid by Knox dolomites, the shale and dolomite being the Quebec equivalents.

The residuary ridges and knolls of clay and chert left by the leaching of these rocks contain limonite in nodules, which generally contain cores of pyrites when over 1 foot in diameter. The proportion of ore to clay, where mined, varies from equal amounts down to one-tenth and less.

The conditions all seem to point to the action of several causes; to an infiltration of ferrous solutions, and (1st) the segregation of the oxide in the clays in some cases, and (2d) its precipitation in caverns in others; frequently (3d) to the oxidation of pure carbonates, or (4th) the leaching away of lime carbonate from a ferriferous limestone. In the third of these cases the limonite would be a pseudomorph in mass, after the siderite, and would have a stony, not a silky-fibrous, fracture. In the fourth case the tendency would be to leave a loose, friable ore, also without any evidence of integral crystallization. The formation of stalactites of limonite is evidence of the movement of ferrous solutions and crystallization in cavities.

These Lower Silurian limonite deposits yielded during the census year 1,625,823 tons of ore, ranging, as delivered, between 30 and 58 per cent. metallic iron, and in phosphorus ratio between 0.023 and 3.78. It will be observed by inspecting the analyses that quite a number of localities produced ores sufficiently low in phosphorus to be adapted to the manufacture of Bessemer steel.

The average royalty paid was 47.4 cents, the range being from 8.8 cents to \$1 78.

At several points in the great valley in Pennsylvania there occur deposits of magnetic ore, some of which are of great size, that at Cornwall being one of the largest of known deposits. They are associated with limestone beds and with green schists, and are traversed by trap-masses and dikes. They have been considered to be eruptive, but the later views and descriptions of Lesley, Hunt, Frazer, and Willis agree as to their non-eruptive character.

Hunt places them in Roger's Primal slates, but identifies these with Emmon's Lower Taconic, and considers them older than the Potsdam. Professor Lesley states, in a communication to me, that he considers these deposits to have been originally members of the great range of brown hematite deposits in the Auroral limestone (II), which have been metamorphosed into magnetites and specular ores by the traps. And he is inclined to place them in the upper part of the great limestone. His exceptional position in regard to the age of these ores is, he states, influenced by the fact that the limestone belt contains numerous synclinals of Utica and Hudson river shales, and that not only the limestone, but also these overlying synclinals of shales are seen going down beneath the Mesozoic formation, and have, as he believes, been mistaken for Primal slates. Professor Lesley's view of the derivation of these ores from the alteration of the brown hematites by the eruptive trap goes also to explain why similar deposits are not found in New Jersey and Virginia, where the conjunction of traps and brown hematite is wanting.

The ores are peculiar in that they contain copper in quantities of some economic importance; also in the frequent presence of cobalt in the associated sulphurets. They are also rather exceptional as magnetites, in that they are very low in phosphorus. Out of twenty-three commercial samples collected by Mr. Willis, in only four

^a Unfortunately no analyses were made to show to what extent the limestone was ferriferous, if at all.

did the phosphorus ratio rise to one-tenth of one per cent. If these ores are the alteration products of the brown hematites, which have a phosphorus ratio almost uniformly above one-tenth of one per cent., the partial elimination of this most persistent element has to be accounted for. On the other hand, copper and cobalt occur in the brown hematites of the upper part of the great limestone.

The magnetic ore mines of the Mesozoic sandstone belt in Pennsylvania produced in the census year 402,554 tons of ore, ranging in iron contents from 38 to 60 per cent., and in phosphorus ratio from 0.017 to 0.202.

The only representatives of the ores of Canadian age in the interior of the continent are the very numerous and important deposits in southern Missouri. Here the lower magnesian limestone of Swallow, to a greater or less extent, represents the Canadian. It consists of four magnesian limestones 190 to 350 feet thick, and three interstratified sandstones from 50 to 125 feet thick. In this series, but especially associated with the third sandstone, occur the widespread deposits of specular ores. Many of the ore-bodies are of large size, containing many thousands of tons. The ore is on the sandstone, or separated from it by clay and fragments of chert. It is overlaid by clay, with chert and sandstone fragments. The form of deposit is more or less circular or elliptical in horizontal section.

Throughout this part of southern Missouri the first and second magnesian limestones have disappeared. They have unquestionably been dissolved away by the action of water and carbonic acid operating continuously on a region that seems to have been above the sea since Paleozoic times. The result of this action is visible in the great mantle of residuary clay, chert, and sandstone fragments that cover southern Missouri to a considerable depth.

In the progress of this leaching process the drainage must have been to an enormous extent through subterranean channels. The ore-bodies are overlaid only by residuary clay and chert, and give evidence of considerable disturbance on their outskirts, the otherwise horizontal sandstone strata often bending downward to pass under the ore and forming a circular outcrop around it (Fig. 6).

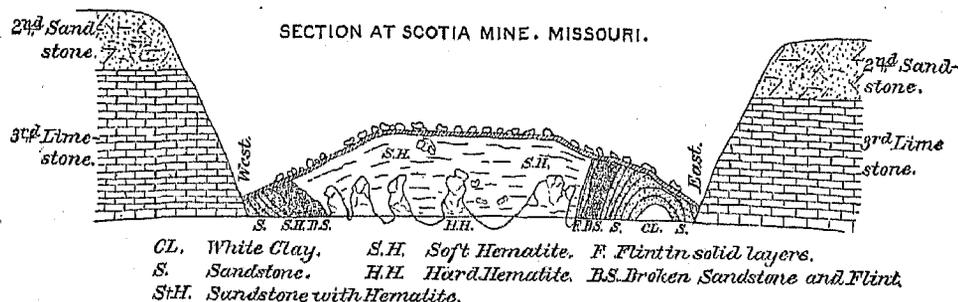


FIG. 6.

With all the variations of occurrence of the ore-bodies of this region, the conditions all seem to me to point to their having been formed in the channels or wells of this downward drainage, through which the surface-waters, carrying the soluble constituents of the formerly overlying limestones of the group, passed into the still lower drainage-channels (caves, etc.) of the underlying limestone; and to the later caving in of the sandstone into these washed-out cavities was due the disturbance on the outskirts of the ore and the tilting of the surrounding sandstone. The ore in these deposits is a hard, compact, bluish, specular variety; this is their normal character. They are associated with soft red hematite and sometimes with limonite, which are considered by Dr. Schmidt (*a*) to be products of alteration of the specular ore. Considering the great extent of country that has been subjected to the leaching process outlined above, it should seem that these deposits of southern Missouri must be very numerous and rank in importance with the limonites of the great Appalachian valley. In the census year there were mined 184,635 tons of ore of this class, ranging in iron contents from 46 to 66 per cent., and in phosphorus ratio from 0.031 to 0.221.

We have seen that the ores associated with the sandstones of the lower magnesian limestone group are specular and red hematite. In the second and third magnesian limestones in southern Missouri there are numerous occurrences of limonite ores. They are found in regular crevices, pockets, and cavities, from the smallest size to very large dimensions, either on or very near the surface of the limestone. The surface of the limestone underneath the ore-bodies is exceedingly irregular, rising into points and sinking into deep holes, and the rock is softened and altered in a way that shows it to have been exposed to the dissolving action of water. The ore itself is stalactitic in structure, and the whole appearance is that of deposits formed in limestone cavities.

Spathic iron ores occur in the great limonite mines in the limestones of Canadian age, either as residuary portions of former more extensive carbonate deposits, or of secondary formation by replacement. This form of ore, which is rather unusual in this country, occurs and is worked on a considerable scale in the slates of Hudson river or Cincinnati age, near the city of Hudson, on the Hudson river. It has been described by Raymond as forming beds 12 to 16 feet thick, resembling a fine-grained, dark-gray silicious limestone. Mr. Putnam's sampling of a stock pile of 2,000 tons at the furnace gave 41.41 per cent. iron, with a phosphorus ratio of 0.384.

Next in importance to the Lower Silurian limonites stand the hematite ores of Clinton age—the fossil or a dyestone ores.

The persistent occurrence of this ore in this horizon is one of its characteristics; for although it does not occur everywhere in the Clinton, its absence is rather the exception than the rule east of the Mississippi. In New York, beginning at the extreme west, we find it absent at Niagara, where the Clinton is represented by only 4 feet of shale and 25 feet of superincumbent limestone. Going east, already on the Genesee we find 80 feet of Clinton, consisting of two beds of limestone and two of shale, with a bed of ore between the lowest shale and its overlying limestone.

Farther east, in Oneida, Herkimer, and Montgomery counties this group is from 100 to 200 feet thick, consisting essentially of greenish shales; the limestones disappear or are represented only by some calcareous sandstones; and two beds of ore appear, one 2 feet and the other 15 inches thick. Along the Appalachian range the ore of this horizon assumes great economic importance from its proximity to the metallurgical coal and centers of iron manufacture.

In Pennsylvania the length of the line of outcrop is immensely increased by its zigzag winding around the many anticlinal and synclinal folds that corrugate the central part of the state. In this part of the range the Clinton thickens to over 2,000 feet of greenish shales. In these there occur several layers of red ore, some of which are due to the impregnation of sandstone layers, while others are alterations of seams of ferriferous limestone. From 1 to 3 feet appears to be the range of thickness of the workable beds.

The principal ore-beds of the Clinton group, as given for Snyder county by the Second Geological Survey of Pennsylvania, are as follows:

"*Sand vein ore*", the highest, which is a fossiliferous limestone, often nearly destitute of iron, but in places rich enough to yield 20 and even 40 per cent. iron, usually soft along the outcrop and always hard below drainage.

The *Danville ore beds*, a group of fossiliferous limestone beds impregnated with iron and close together. It is rare that any one of them reaches a thickness of 3 feet, and all of them are softened a varying number of yards from the surface down the dip, and in proportion to its gentleness.

The *Block ore-bed*, 1 to 12 feet thick, lies 150 feet lower.

The highly-esteemed *Bird's-eye fossil ore*, 6 to 14 inches thick in the 500 feet of olive shales forming the lower part of the Clinton group.

In Virginia and West Virginia, though less explored, the Clinton ores are known to have locally a much greater development than in Pennsylvania. In the latter state, in Grant, Hardy, and Pendleton counties, they rival the deposits of Alabama, and range from 3 to 30 feet in thickness. In Virginia, while these ores are generally less than 20 inches thick, they thicken in Lee and Wise counties to several feet.

Here should be included the hematite beds, 12 to 18 inches thick, forming part of the grand anticlinal arch at Clifton forge, and belonging, according to W. B. Rogers, to the Medina. In Tennessee, instead of 2,000 feet of Clinton shales, we find from 100 to 300 feet only.

Near the Georgia line a section given by Safford represents 136 feet. It consists of greenish shales with numerous calcareous seams, for the most part thin, several of which are altered to hematite, some of them being workable ore beds varying from $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 feet in thickness. By folding and faulting, the outcrops are reduplicated in parallel ridges, and in places brought into the closest proximity to the coal. The Clinton, passing across the northwestern corner of Georgia and entering Alabama, assumes here again great economic importance. Beds of these ores 7 feet thick were worked during the census year, and later discoveries of much greater size are reported.

At the mines of the Eureka furnace occurs an aggregate of 34 to 37 feet of ore, ranging from 30 to 54 per cent. metallic iron, in three beds, separated by 3 feet and 15 feet of sandstone. Wherever the workings have gone to the drainage-level the ore has been found to give place to a more or less ferruginous limestone. The percentage of metallic iron ranges between 31 and 53 per cent., and the phosphorus ratio from 0.081 to 3.31.

Long-continued exposure seems to eliminate some of the phosphorus, for pieces lying loose in the soil and ore-gravel generally contain less than 0.10 per cent. phosphorus to 100 per cent. of iron. The Clinton is known in the interior of the continent as an iron-bearing horizon, only in Wisconsin, Kentucky, and Ohio. In Wisconsin the well-known mines of Dodge county are worked in one of the finest and most extensive deposits known. Here 14 to 26 feet thickness of ore lies between the Cincinnati shales and the Niagara limestone. In Kentucky the ores of this horizon are represented and were formerly worked in Bath county. The ore is here fossiliferous and more or less hydrated, so that it is rather a limonite. In Ohio it is known in three counties, and has been somewhat, but unsuccessfully, worked, as it is calcareous and apt to be lean.

The Clinton ore deposits have in common:

- 1st. Association with more or less heavily bedded olive shales, which owe their greenish color to ferrous silicates.
- 2d. Occurrence of the ore only above drainage-level, and change from ore to more or less ferriferous limestone below that level.

At various points, especially in Pennsylvania, and more particularly in Blair county, extensive deposits of limonite occur in caverns in the Lower Helderberg limestones.

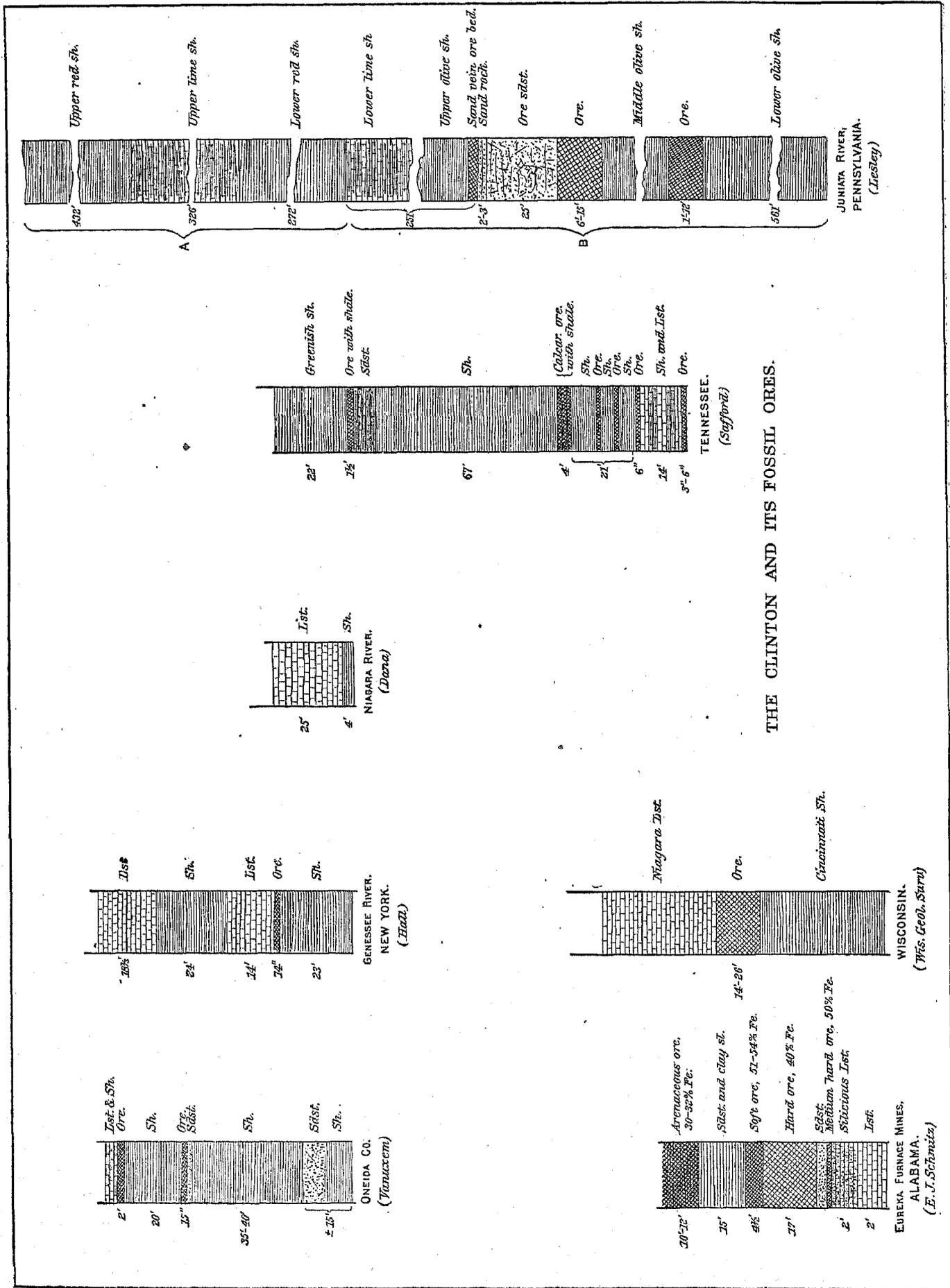


FIG. 7.

The next iron-ore bearing horizon is the Oriskany, as developed in the middle Appalachians. In Pennsylvania a local deposits of more or less silicious limonite occur in this sandstone in the middle and at the top, and also in its associated shales. But the greatest development of Oriskany ores is in Virginia. They occur at numerous points, and are best represented in the mines of the old Dolly Ann furnace, and at Longdale, on Brushy mountain, and again at Lowmoor. At these places the ore varies from 10 to 30 and even 40 feet in thickness, and is separated from the sandstone by beds of stiff clay. These Oriskany limonites differ from those of the Siluro-Cambrian deposits in being silicious, while the latter are aluminous. The ore-bearing character of the Oriskany appears to be best developed where it is immediately overlaid by the shales of the Hamilton period, where, as in Virginia, the rocks of the Carboniferous period are absent. The ore ranges from 32 to 52 per cent. metallic iron, and from 0.075 to 2.331 per cent. phosphorus ratio. The samples from the great mines at Lowmoor and Longdale gave, respectively, 43 and 44 per cent. iron, and 48 and 52 per cent. iron.

The shales of the Hamilton period contain workable ores in Pennsylvania. In the Marcellus shales at some points, as in Perry county, the ore reaches, locally, a thickness of 12 to 14 feet. It is a loose limonite, imbedded in clay above the drainage-level, but below that level it changes to a hard, blue carbonate of iron. Mr. McCreath's analyses give 35 to 43 per cent. iron, with a phosphorus ratio ranging from 0.179 to 0.281.

In Pennsylvania the Hamilton sandstone (Montebello) also carries ore often with a thickness of about 2 feet, and more or less fossiliferous. In Virginia the Devonian shales are highly charged with pyrites, which within the zone of oxidation gives rise to great amounts of copperas and alum shale, and sulphurous and chalybeate waters, but the local occurrences of iron-ore are of inferior quality.

The same may be said of the formation in Tennessee, where it is more bituminous and thinner. c

A peculiar fossil-ore, very fossiliferous, and known as Mansfield ore, occurs in the Chemung, in Pennsylvania, and has been mined at several points with a thickness of 1½ to 3 feet.

Formation IX—the Catskill—contains some impure ore in small quantities in Virginia.

In Pennsylvania the Mauch Chunk red shales (XI) just beneath the millstone-grit, are topped by a plate of carbonate of iron, known as the "Red-ore bed". This occurs throughout northern and western Pennsylvania, but has been successfully worked only in Fayette county. In Virginia, where this formation consists of red, green, and yellowish shales, with argillaceous limestones, nodular carbonates of iron also occur. In the interior of the continent the sub-Carboniferous consists mainly of limestones. In western Kentucky and Tennessee there occur large amounts of residuary limonite, resting on the lowest sub-Carboniferous limestone—the Protean of Safford. It occurs as pots, strings, pipe-ore, and honeycomb-ore, scattered through deposits of clay and chert often 100 feet thick. This is doubtless the insoluble residuary ruin of a great thickness of formerly *superincumbent* limestone strata.

In Kentucky the sub-Carboniferous limestone on the Kentucky and Red rivers carries on its top a carbonate ore, known as the "lower limestone ore", which is sometimes as much as 3 feet thick. It occurs in jointed blocks, which are changed to limonite excepting a core of carbonate. In Ohio the sub-Carboniferous limestone carries a good block-ore on its upper surface, which, together with occasional kidneys of ore in the overlying clays, has been mined in connection with the associated limestone, which was used for furnace-flux, but it does not appear to be sufficiently permanent and thick to be mined alone.

In central and western-central Missouri the sub-Carboniferous consists of limestones and sandstones. One of the sandstones, or probably different sandstones, carries a bed of red hematite ore, varying from 1 to 5 feet thick. This varies from highly ferruginous sandstone to pure ore. Coherent deposits of limonite occur in the Upper Osage e river in the Enderlithal limestone, and are among the most important sources of limonite in the state. They have the character of ores formed in cavities in the limestone. An ore-sheet, a few inches thick, mixed with pebbles, and known as Guinea-fowl ore, occurs at points in the Conglomerate XII, and has been mined to a very limited extent, but is practically worthless.

The ores of the Carboniferous period may be divided into two classes, viz: Ores occurring in the shales; ores occurring in connection with the limestones.

Doubtless the iron-stones of this age occur coextensively with the Coal Measures; but they are known and more or less worked only in parts of the great Carboniferous area. In different counties of Pennsylvania and Ohio these ores occur at various horizons in workable beds.

The most important known occurrences of iron-stones in the Coal Measures in Pennsylvania appear to be the following:

I. The ferriferous limestone in the western part of the state, and belonging a few feet below the lower Kittanning coal in the Lower Coal Measures. This limestone, which varies from 4 to 25 feet in thickness, has frequently its upper portion, varying from 6 inches to several feet, altered to limonite, which is known as "ballstone" ore. In some places the ferriferous limestone is replaced for its entire thickness, 20 feet or more, by ore. Frequently the shales just above the limestone also yield "ball-ore".

II. At Johnstown, the "Johnstown ore-bed", 2 feet thick, 71 feet above the upper Freeport coal.

III. In Fayette county there are five beds of lump and flag clay iron-stone within 25 feet below the Pittsburgh coal. Two more occur overlying the Mahoning sandstone, besides the Pridevale beds underlying it. There are also the Stratford beds overlying the conglomerate.

a The carbonaceous carbonate ore—"blackband"—which has played such an important part in the history of iron-making in Great Britain, has been found in several localities in this country—in Alabama, West Virginia, Ohio, and Kentucky. In North Carolina blackband occurs with the Triassic coal. In Alabama a 12-inch seam was worked in the census year. It contained 29 per cent. of iron with a phosphorus ratio of 0.658, and was associated with a black shale carrying 8 per cent. of iron with a phosphorus ratio of 1.372.

In Louisa county, Kentucky, there is known a seam of blackband 16 inches thick overlaid by 15 inches of black bituminous shale. It is known at several points in West Virginia. Mr. S. P. Sharples gives the analysis of a raw blackband from a persistent seam 9 miles from Charleston, in West Virginia, viz, 31.46 per cent. iron, 0.41 sulphur, and 0.25 phosphorus.

b Mr. Proctor, of the Kentucky survey, states that the Coal Measures of the Western Coalfield contain persistent beds of ore of workable thickness, sometimes 6 feet thick, and carrying from 35 per cent. to 42 per cent. of iron in the unroasted ore.

With one or two very slight exceptions, all the ore now mined in Ohio comes from the Lower Coal Measures. There are three important horizons of carbonate ores, the working thickness of which over large areas is often 6 feet with local swelling to 18 or 19 feet. These horizons are, according to Professor Orton—

1. Upper Freeport coal; the main blackband horizon; here belong also clayband ores.
2. Forty feet below Lower Mercer, interconglomerate limestone; confined to southern Ohio, ["Flag ore," "Boggs ore,"]
3. Sharon coal; interconglomerate blackband.

c Kidney ores are mined at various points in Ohio. They are scattered through the shales and fire-clays of 5 or 6 tolerably well marked horizons, in some of which they are quite persistent, viz:

1. Upper Freeport limestone, in southern Ohio.
2. Lower Freeport limestone, in southern Ohio.
3. Kittanning shales, between Kittanning coals.
4. Ferriferous limestone and Clarion coals.
5. Putnam Hill limestone, in southern Ohio.

The ferriferous limestone, celebrated for its "buhstone" ore, in Pennsylvania, is equally important in southern Ohio, where, in the Hanging-Rock district, it carries in its upper portion 6 to 12 inches of more or less altered carbonate, known in Ohio and Kentucky as "limestone ore".

d Reviewing these horizons as observed by Professor Orton, from whom I have taken the notes on the Ohio ores, we find them to number twelve, distributed through the Lower Coal Measures, and ranging from the Sharon coal to the upper Freeport, viz:

- Upper Freeport coal.
- Upper Freeport clay.
- Upper Freeport limestone.
- Lower Freeport limestone.
- Kittanning shales.
- Ferriferous limestone.
- Putnam Hill limestone.
- e** Upper Mercer limestone.
- Mercer shales.

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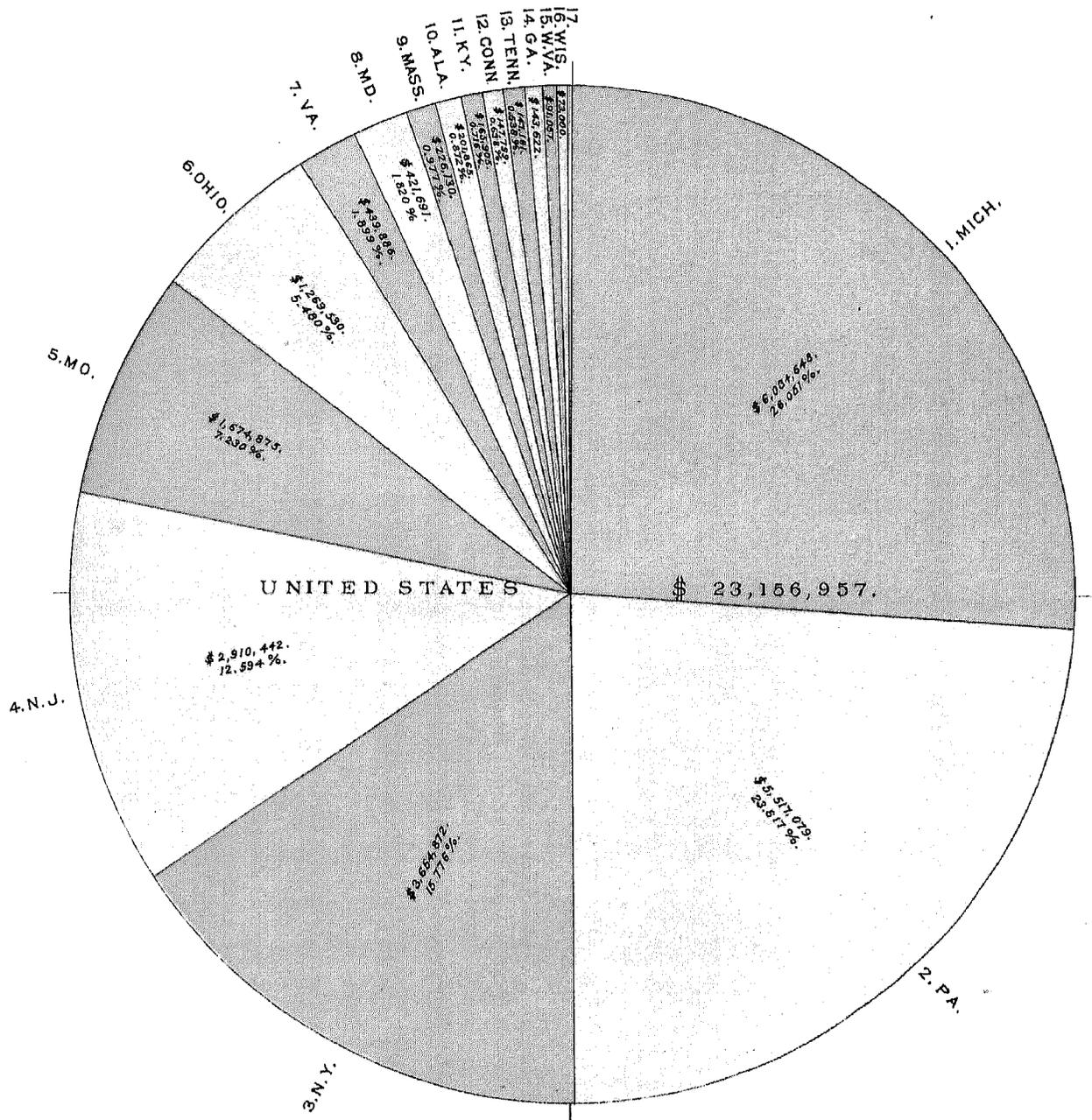
Interval between Mercer and Sharon groups, Sharon coal.

A hematite occurs in layers of concretions in the inclined beds of the Trias in Moore county, North Carolina; and in Chatham county of the same state, a seam of blackband, 18 inches thick, forms the roof of a seam of Triassic coal, and, with black shale, the floor of another. It carries 21 per cent. of iron, with the remarkably low phosphorus ratio of 0.080. The shales above the coal-seams also contain carbonate ball-ore.

In the deposition of the great lignitic groups of the Cretaceous west of the Missouri river conditions existed **f** similar to a great extent to those which surrounded the formation of the older Coal Measures; and we also find clay-ironstone nodules in the fire-clays that accompany the lignite.

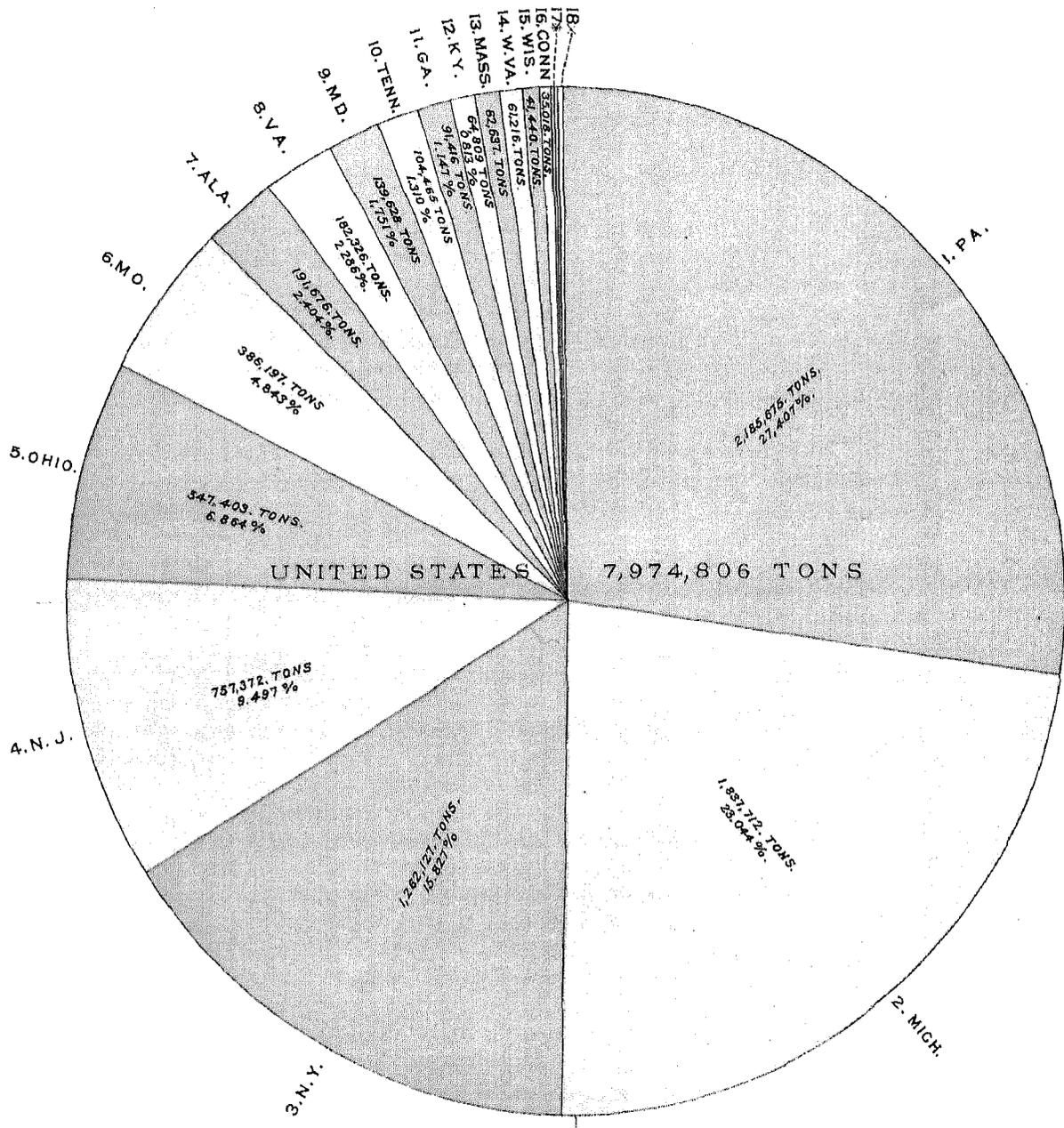
In some places, according to Mr. Putnam, where the fine shales have been removed by waste, and especially by wind, these nodules remain as a residuary, sometimes workable, deposit on the surface of the plains.

In eastern Maryland, from north of Baltimore to near Washington, District of Columbia, there is a long line of small mines, which have produced clay-ironstone nodules more or less altered to hematite and limonite. These nodules occur in a stiff clay, probably of Mesozoic age. These ores range from 36 to 48½ per cent. iron, and in phosphorus ratio 0.065 to 0.399. The basaltic rocks of the Cascade range exposed to the immense rainfall and luxuriant vegetation of the northern Pacific coast have contributed to the formation of very extensive deposits of bog-ore. That such deposits were forming probably during the Tertiary period is shown by the Prosser mine near Portland, in Oregon. Here a bed of limonite 6 to 8 feet thick, still showing in places more or less the texture of bog-ore, and containing roots and trunks of a former forest-growth, lies upon a bed of basalt and is covered by



17.-a. ME. (\$ 9,000); b. TEX. (\$ 8,100); c. DEL. (\$ 6,553); d. N. CAR. (\$ 5,285); e. DR. (\$ 4,669); f. VT. (\$ 2,750); g. IND. (\$ 1,018); h. - \$ 37,375.

VALUE OF THE IRON ORE MINED IN THE CENSUS YEAR, BY STATES.



17. a. OR. (6,972); b. ME. (16,000); c. N. H. (12,972). TONS.
 18. a. TEX. (3,600); b. N. CAR. (3,318); c. DEL. (2,726); d. VT. (560); e. IND. (513) - 10,717. TONS.

IRON ORE MINED IN THE CENSUS YEAR, BY STATES.

many hundred feet of more recent basalt, the whole dipping about 10° to 20° to the westward. Two samples gave a 44.71 and 54.19 iron, and phosphorus ratios respectively of 1.490 and 0.723. Part of the bed is altered to a compact mineral-like brown pitch stone, containing 30 per cent. of iron. Similar ores are forming to day in the great marshes from the chalybeate waters drained from the decomposing basalt of the Cascade range.

Limonite in several varieties, especially bog-ores, occurs in deposits of recent age at many points in the Atlantic states. While this class of ores contributed nothing to the iron industry in the census year of 1880, they were of relatively great importance in the early period of American iron-making. As there can be little doubt that they will become useful ores under the processes of the future, they must count as prospective elements of the national wealth.

It was my original intention to combine with the special canvass of the statistics of the mining industries east of the 100th meridian a more special study of the iron-ore resources of the country at large. The whole organization of the work was framed to include this investigation by separate observers, and nearly all the field-work was actually finished, when the inadequacy of the census appropriation necessitated an extensive contraction of the plan. Commercial and differential samples had been fully collected of the ores of all mines excepting the carbonate ores of West Virginia.

The original intention of extending complete analyses to the ores of all large mines, and to all others in which for various reasons such analyses might be supposed to have a metallurgical value, was also abandoned, and the complete analyses were stopped at the point at which they had already arrived, with some important exceptions. The scope of the partial analyses was also thenceforth limited largely to the determination of iron and phosphorus. The plan of studying the structural features of the ore-deposits and their genetic phenomena was the one that I gave up with the greatest reluctance; for in a statistical survey of the resources of the United States in iron-ore an approximative result can be obtained only after obtaining light on a few fundamental points, and especially the following:

1. In the Archæan ores are the "pods" of the Highlands and the "lenses" of Michigan simply isolated masses, of rare occurrence, and in widely-separated horizons, or do they occur grouped near together, in places in overlapping lenses, in others scattered along the same straight or folded plane of bedding, and separated only by greater or less stretches of "barrens" or "pinches"?

2. Regarding our next great reliance for the future—the limonite bodies of the great Appalachian valley—are they limited as ore-producers to the present region of drainage, or has the oxyhydration or mineralization, as the case may be, extended to a greater depth, dependent either upon some former drainage conditions or upon some process acting independently of drainage? d

And do these limonite bodies in depth change to corresponding rich parent bodies of carbonate of iron, or to earthy carbonates containing iron, which remains as an insoluble residue after the leaching away of the former; or, again, are they in some instances produced mainly by the reaction of iron-salts upon limestone, and in others by the rapid decomposition of alkaline hydromica-schists to clays, in which the iron from the decomposed silicates segregates to form fragmentary limonite? Similar fundamental questions remain to be solved with reference to the great specular deposits of Missouri, and, to a certain extent, also, with regard to the "fossil" and related ores. This investigation will doubtless be carried out by the National Geological Survey, within whose domain it falls. But, although much curtailed, there still remain enough results from the sampler's notes, the laboratory work, and the statistical canvass proper to classify very clearly the iron-ore fields and the ore-product of the census year according to its richness in iron and its content of phosphorus, and to present the industry in its broader economic aspects. This I have attempted to do by means of the following tabular and graphic statements, which, with the exception of plates VII and VIII, were calculated and drawn up by my assistant, Mr. Bayard T. Putnam:

They are:

Plate VII.—Map of the United States, showing the geographical distribution of the iron-ore fields. (Faces p. 3.)

Plate VIII.—Chart showing the geological distribution of the iron ores in each state. (Faces p. 4.)

Plate IX.—Diagram showing the relative values of the ore mined in each state in the census year.

Plate X.—Diagram showing the relative amounts of ore mined in each state in the census year.

Plate XI.—Diagram showing the relative amounts of the several kinds of ore mined in the United States in the census year. This is a graphic presentation of the totals of table 7.

Plate XII.—Diagram showing the relative amounts of each kind of ore mined from each geological horizon in the census year. This is a graphic presentation of the totals of table 6.

Table 6.—Table showing the amount of each kind of ore mined from each geological horizon in each state in the census year. The totals of this table are graphically presented in plate XII.

Plate XIII.—Diagram showing the relative amounts of each kind of ore mined in each state in the census year. This is a graphic presentation of table 7.

Table 7.—Table showing the amounts of each kind of ore mined in each state in the census year. The details of this table are shown graphically on plate XIII, and its totals are shown graphically on plate XI.

Plate XIV.—Map of the United States, showing by different intensities of one tint the relative amounts of ore mined in the census year. A star on this map indicates the "center of total production of iron ore in the census year". (See p. 37.)

a *Plates XV to XXI.*—Maps of different portions of the United States, showing by different intensities of one tint and by figures in different colors the relative total amounts of ore and the relative amounts of each kind of ore mined in each ore-producing county in the census year. These maps exhibit graphically the data contained in table 8.

Table 8.—Table showing the amounts of each kind of ore mined in each ore-producing county in the census year. Plates XV to XXI exhibit these data graphically.

Plate XXII.—Diagram showing (*a*) a classification of the ore mined in the United States in the census year according to kind of ore and its per cent. of metallic iron, and (*b*) a classification of the total metallic iron in the ore according to kinds and grades of ore which contained it. These diagrams are graphic representations of the **b** data contained in table 9.

Table 9.—Table showing (*a*) a classification of the ore mined in the United States in the census year according to kind of ore and its per cent. of metallic iron, and (*b*) a classification of the total metallic iron in the ore according to kinds and grades of ore which contained it. The data in this table are graphically presented in plate XXII.

Table 10.—Table showing a classification of the ore mined in each state in the census year according to kind of ore and its per cent. of metallic iron. The totals of this table are recapitulated in table 9, and are presented graphically on plate XXII.

Table 10 a.—Table showing a classification of the metallic iron contained in the ore mined in each state in the census year according to kinds and grades of ore which contained it. This table is calculated from table 10. Its totals are repeated in table 9 and appear graphically on plate XXII.

c *Table 11.*—Table showing a partial classification of the ore mined in each state in the census year according to kind of ore and its phosphorus-iron ratio.

Table 12.—Table showing the amount of each kind of ore mined in each state in the census year having a sufficiently low phosphorus-iron ratio to be classed as Bessemer ore. These facts are presented graphically on plates XXIII and XXIV.

Plate XXIII.—Diagrams showing (*a*) the relative amount of Bessemer ore to the total ore product in the census year, (*b*) the relative amounts of the different kinds of ore in the Bessemer ore product, and (*c*) the relative amounts of Bessemer ore mined in each state. These are graphic presentations of the facts contained in table 12.

Plate XXIV.—Diagram showing the relative amounts of the different kinds of Bessemer ore mined in each state in the census year. These facts are presented also in table 12.

d *Table 13.*—Table showing the royalties paid on the different kinds of ore in each state in the census year.

PLATE VII.

Plate VII is intended to represent the ore-fields of the country to the extent to which they have been shown to be workable in the past. For this purpose the range of the ores is represented by colors selected for the different kinds. Only the limits are represented within which the ores have been proved to exist in more or less sporadic deposits. The progress of the iron industry will extend the limits of these colors to a greater or less extent, but within areas (east of the 100th meridian) which can now be tolerably well defined, as I have stated on page 4. Notably by far the greatest extension will fall to the coloring of the ores of the Carboniferous. But the extension **e** which can safely be predicted for the coloring of the Siluro-Cambrian ores in Missouri, and the Archæan ores on the south and north sides, of Lake Superior, will be of vast national importance.

Also, the map shows, by the dots in the ore-fields, the proximate position of the mines, or groups of mines, which were working or were sampled during the census year.

One of the most salient facts on plate VII is the lack of any relation between the area of an ore-field and its production; there is also no relation between its area and its capacity for production. Thus in Michigan, whose ore-product represented 23.04 per cent. of the total quantity, and 26.05 per cent. of the total value of the ore-product of the whole United States, the area of the ore-fields is so small as to almost escape observation on the map. On the other hand, Pennsylvania, with a little larger percentage of quantity—27.4 per cent.—and a little smaller percentage of value—23.8 per cent.—is represented by areas aggregating perhaps nearly 300 times that of the **f** Michigan ore-fields, as represented on the map. Again, of the ore mined in Pennsylvania, more than one-half the quantity came from small colored areas in the southeastern counties, aggregating less than one-fiftieth of the total area colored as the ore-fields of the state.

In seeking the explanation of this fact we find two causes:

First. Although only the Coal Measure areas within which the carbonate ores occur have been worked are colored, their tint covers an immense region. But owing to their low percentage in iron and the necessity of driving off the carbonic acid, these ores contributed only about 11½ per cent. of the total ore tonnage and probably less than 7 per cent. of the value.

Second. The ores of the Carboniferous and Upper Silurian formations lie horizontally, or nearly so, in beds from a few inches to a few feet—rarely 5 feet—thick. Thus the capacity of each mine is only a few thousand tons—five- to twenty-thousand—per acre. On the other hand, the great ore resources of the Siluro-Cambrian, and, in a

much greater degree, of the Archæan formations, are concentrated into deposits of enormous contents underlying a small areas.

PLATE VIII.

I have had plate VIII compiled to accompany my remarks on the distribution of the iron ores in the various geological formations of

The compilation has been made by Mr. Willis from the reports of the various state geological surveys, as well as the difficulties of the case will permit, and will, I think, on the whole, be found correct.

Instances of disputed horizons will be observed, notably the magnetic ores of Pennsylvania that underlie the Triassic sandstone, and are traversed by the traps, and which are in the chart assigned to the Lower Silurian. The reasons for this are given in the text.

The position assigned to the spathic ore of Roxbury, Connecticut, is also very doubtful.

The known ore deposits of the five great varieties are represented, and where any of the varieties were mined in the state during the census year the tonnage is given.

PLATES IX AND X.

An examination of plates IX and X shows that of the nearly 8,000,000 tons of ore, with a spot value of a little over \$23,000,000, nearly one-half the amount, and over one-half the value, was produced by the two states of Michigan and Pennsylvania, and that while Pennsylvania produced the larger part of the tonnage, Michigan is credited with the larger part of the spot value. New York comes third, and New Jersey fourth, both as to tonnage and value; and these four states—Michigan, Pennsylvania, New York, and New Jersey—together produced more than three-fourths, or, more exactly, 78.2 per cent. of the tonnage, and 75.8 per cent. of the spot value.

Mr. Putnam has tabulated the data contained on these plates, adding the average spot value of the ore of each state, the percentage contributed by the mines of each state to the total metallic-iron product of the United States, and the relative position of each state, first, in the order of tonnage; second, in the order of total value; third, in the order of percentage in metallic iron; fourth, in the order of the average spot value per ton. Four columns have also been added showing for the Bessemer ore product of each state the tonnage, its ratio to the national product of Bessemer ore and to the state's total product, and the order of the state according to the amount of Bessemer ore mined:

States.	AMOUNT OF ORE MINED.		VALUE OF ORE MINED.		AMOUNT OF METALLIC IRON IN ORE MINED.		Average per cent. of metallic iron in ore.	BESSEMER ORE MINED.			Average spot value of ore per ton.	Order of states according to amount of ore mined.	Order of states according to total value of ore mined.	Order of states according to amount of metallic iron in ore mined.	Order of states according to average per cent. of metallic iron in ore.	Order of states according to amount of Bessemer ore mined.	Order of states according to average spot value of ore per ton.
	Tons.	Per cent. of total.	Dollars.	Per cent. of total.	Tons.	Per cent. of total.		Tons.	Per cent. of Bessemer product.	Per cent. of state's product.							
Alabama	191,676	2.404	\$201,805	0.872	97,139	2.378	50.07				\$1 05	7	10	7	8	23	
Connecticut	35,018	0.439	147,790	0.638	15,700	0.388	45.03				4 22	16	12	16	12	3	
Delaware	2,720	0.034	6,553	0.028	1,082	0.026	39.07				2 40	21	19	21	21	12	
Georgia	91,410	1.147	143,622	0.621	46,964	1.140	51.37				1 57	11	14	11	7	18	
Indiana	513	0.007	1,018	0.004	231	0.005	45.00				1 98	23	23	23	13 to 18	15	
Kentucky	64,809	0.813	165,905	0.716	26,343	0.645	40.44				2 56	12	11	13	20	9	
Maine	6,000	0.075	9,000	0.039	2,700	0.069	45.00	0,000	0.28	100.00	1 50	18	17	18	13 to 18	7	19
Maryland	139,628	1.751	421,691	1.820	59,190	1.449	42.39				3 02	9	8	0	19	7	
Massachusetts	62,637	0.785	226,130	0.977	28,187	0.690	45.00				3 01	13	9	12	13 to 18	5	
Michigan	1,837,712	23.044	6,034,648	26.051	1,004,814	26.708	59.57	948,589	43.47	51.61	5 28	2	1	1	2	1	6
Missouri	386,197	4.843	1,674,875	7.230	231,766	5.673	60.01	287,980	13.20	74.50	4 33	6	5	5	1	4	2
New Jersey	757,372	9.497	2,910,442	12.504	406,953	9.961	53.73	114,841	5.26	15.16	3 84	4	4	4	5	5	4
New York	1,262,127	15.827	3,654,872	15.776	681,534	16.080	53.00	360,821	16.55	28.58	2 80	3	3	3	4	3	8
North Carolina	3,318	0.041	5,285	0.023	1,816	0.044	55.03	2,802	0.13	86.25	1 59	20	20	19	3	0	17
Ohio	547,403	6.864	1,260,530	5.480	211,452	5.177	38.02				2 31	5	6	6	22	13	
Oregon	6,972	0.087	4,609	0.020	3,137	0.077	45.00				07	17	21	17	13 to 18	23	
Pennsylvania	2,185,075	27.407	5,517,070	23.817	980,806	24.228	45.28	448,374	20.56	20.51	2 52	1	2	2	11	2	10
Tennessee	104,465	1.310	147,181	0.638	52,863	1.294	50.59	5,600	0.26	5.30	1 41	10	13	10	0	8	21
Texas	3,600	0.046	8,100	0.035	1,620	0.040	45.00				2 25	10	18	20	13 to 18	14	
Vermont	560	0.007	2,750	0.012	252	0.006	45.00				4 01	22	22	22	13 to 18	1	
Virginia	182,326	2.286	439,886	1.899	86,799	2.125	47.00	6,160	0.28	3.37	2 41	8	7	8	10	0	11
West Virginia	61,210	0.767	91,057	0.394	23,214	0.598	37.92				1 48	14	15	14	23	20	
Wisconsin	41,440	0.519	73,000	0.310	21,784	0.533	52.56				1 76	15	16	15	6	16	
The United States	7,974,806	100.000	23,166,937	100.000	4,085,418	100.000	51.22	2,181,227	100.00		2.90						

a Among the several factors that enter into the causation of the differences in the average value of the ore at the mines, the most important is the proportion of Bessemer ore (see plate XXIII) in the product of each state, and the relative average richness of the state's total product in metallic iron.

Ohio produced only the relatively low-grade ores of the Carboniferous, and no Bessemer ores, and while her tonnage was 6.864 per cent. of the total tonnage, its value was only 5.480 per cent. of the total value.

On the other hand the product of Missouri was of high grade hematite, nearly three-quarters of which was Bessemer ore; and while her tonnage was 4.834 per cent. of the total tonnage, its value was 7.230 per cent. of the total value.

The importance of this cause is shown, perhaps best, in comparing Ohio with Michigan. As we have seen, **b** Ohio's tonnage percentage was 6.846, and value percentage, 5.480; on the other hand, the high-grade product of Michigan, one-half of it Bessemer, has a tonnage percentage of 23.044 and value percentage of 26.051, notwithstanding the fact that its product has to be carried over 600 miles by rail, water, and again by rail, to the furnaces of Ohio, Illinois, and Pennsylvania.

It appears from the above table that the first, third, and fifth rank, as regards average spot value of the ore, belongs respectively to Vermont, Connecticut, and Massachusetts. The aggregate product of these three states was less than 100,000 tons, or about one-eightieth of that of the country at large. The high valuation is due partly to the fact that these ores have a special value for car-wheels.

Missouri occupies (after Vermont) the first rank for average spot value, partly because she worked in that year only her richer hematite and magnetite mines, thus taking highest rank for average per cent. of iron in ore, and **c** partly because three-quarters of the product from these mines was adapted to Bessemer; but the high average spot value was doubtless due mainly to the fact that the owners of Iron Mountain, the largest producers, maintained a high price for their ore.

New Jersey ranked fourth in average spot value of ore, although among the producers of Bessemer ore she ranked seventh as regards proportion of Bessemer to non-Bessemer ore, and fifth as regards total product of Bessemer, and fifth in point of average percentage of metallic iron.

It is noticeable that while New Jersey ranked fourth as to amount of ore mined, it ranked fourth also as to total value, as to amount of metallic iron in the ore-product of the state, and as to average spot value of the ore; and she ranked fifth as to average per cent. of metallic iron in her ore, and also as to the amount of Bessemer ore mined.

d New Jersey ranked below her neighbor, New York, in every one of these points, except the average value of the ore, and here she ranked fourth while New York stood eighth. The difference (New York ores averaged \$2 80 as against \$3 84 for New Jersey) was due to the proximity of the New Jersey ores to the anthracite fields.

The effect of geographical position on the average spot value of the ore is shown more clearly in Michigan. This state ranked first as to total spot value of ore, first as to amount of metallic iron contributed by its ore product, first as to amount of Bessemer ore mined. She ranked second as to average percentage of iron in the ore, which contained 59.57 per cent. iron as against 60.01 per cent. in the Missouri ore, which ranked first. With all these great advantages, she ranked sixth in point of average spot value of the ore.

On the other hand, the value of these advantages of quality is shown in the comparison of Michigan with Pennsylvania. The latter state, which ranked first in tonnage and second in total value and in amount of metallic **e** iron contributed by its ore, and second also as to quantity of Bessemer ore mined, but being sixth as regards the ratio of Bessemer ore to non-Bessemer, and eleventh as to average percentage of iron in the ore (45.28 per cent.), it is not surprising to find her ranking tenth as to the average spot value of her ore—\$2 52 as against \$3 28 for Michigan.

High percentage in iron and qualities that meet the requirements of special demands, especially a low phosphorus ratio, are the conditions that raise the spot value, while cost of transportation tends to lower it.

PLATE XI.

Plate XI exhibits graphically the relative importance of the different varieties of the ores, and should be examined in connection with plates XII and XXII.

f The magnetites, mainly Laurentian (plate XII), form 29.975 per cent. of the tonnage, and contain 32.178 per cent. of the total metallic iron (plate XXII).

Next, the limonites, mainly Lower Silurian, form 26.950 per cent. of the tonnage, and contain 24.319 per cent. of the total metallic iron.

The third great factor, the hematites, mainly Huronian, with 23.791 per cent. of the tonnage, contain 27.717 per cent. of the total metallic iron.

The low-grade carbonate and derivatives, almost wholly from the Coal Measures and sub-Carboniferous, form 11.565 per cent. of the tonnage and contain 8.593 per cent. of the total metallic iron.

And the "fossil" ore, wholly Upper Silurian, form 7.717 per cent. of the tonnage, and contain 7.193 per cent. of the total metallic iron.

It shows that there were mined of the five great varieties of iron ore as follows, as represented in the totals of a table 7:

Ores.	Tons.	Per cent. of total.
Magnetite	2,390,389	29.975
Limonite	2,140,417	26.952
Hematite	1,897,218	23.791
Carbonate	922,288	11.505
Fossil	615,404	7.717
Total	7,974,806	100.000

TABLE 6.—Iron ore mined in the census year, by geological horizons, by states and by kinds.

[Compare with plate XII for the graphic presentation of the totals.]

States.	LAURENTIAN.				HURONIAN.				LOWER SILURIAN.			
	Limonite.	Hematite.	Magnetite.	Total.	Limonite.	Hematite.	Magnetite.	Total.	Limonite.	Hematite.	Magnetite.	Total.
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
Alabama									110,696			110,696
Connecticut									35,018			35,018
Delaware												
Georgia									44,210			44,210
Kentucky												
Indiana												
Maine												
Maryland									64,760		218	64,978
Massachusetts									62,637			62,637
Michigan					320,897	1,850,090	148,710	1,837,712				
Missouri						201,450		201,450	112	184,685		184,747
New Jersey			741,804	741,804					15,508			15,508
New York			927,052	927,052					145,550	94,765		240,315
North Carolina			2,650	2,650	510		152	668				
Ohio												
Oregon												
Pennsylvania			152,869	152,869					1,084,762	15,832	405,055	1,505,639
Tennessee									15,447			15,447
Texas												
Vermont										500		500
Virginia					1,351	13,440	11,810	26,601	42,852	28,000		70,392
West Virginia												
Wisconsin									2,240			2,240
The United States			1,824,435	1,824,435	831,704	1,578,986	160,681	2,060,481	1,024,822	328,792	405,270	2,352,387

States.	UPPER SILURIAN.			DEVONIAN.			SUB-CARBONIFEROUS. Limonite.	CARBONIFEROUS. Carbonates and derivatives.	MESOZOIC. Carbonates and derivatives.	CENOZOIC. Limonite.	Total.
	Fossil.	Limonite.	Total.	Fossil.	Limonite.	Total.					
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.					
Alabama	75,218		75,218					5,762			101,076
Connecticut											35,018
Delaware										2,726	2,726
Georgia	47,200		47,200								91,416
Kentucky							17,600	47,149			64,809
Indiana							513				513
Maine										6,000	6,000
Maryland	1,018		1,018						73,632		139,628
Massachusetts											62,637
Michigan											1,837,712
Missouri											386,197
New Jersey											757,372
New York	85,442		85,442							9,318	1,202,127
North Carolina											9,318
Ohio								547,403			547,403
Oregon										9,972	9,972
Pennsylvania	233,637	6,720	290,357	212	30,224	30,436		197,974			2,185,675
Tennessee	76,561		76,561				12,467				104,465
Texas									3,600		3,600
Vermont											500
Virginia		85,333	85,333								182,326
West Virginia	7,000	3,248	10,248					50,908			61,216
Wisconsin	39,200		39,200								41,440
The United States	615,282	95,301	710,583	212	30,436	30,436	30,630	848,056	73,632	28,616	7,974,806

a The age of this ore is very doubtful.

TABLE 6 AND PLATE XII.

a Table 6, showing the amounts of iron ore mined by geological horizons, kinds, and states, should be consulted in connection with plate VIII, the geological chart showing the distribution of the various ores in the geological column of the different states, and also with the statistical graphic plate (XII) showing the amounts of ore mined by geological horizons and kinds. The last-mentioned diagram is, as will be readily seen, constructed from the totals of table 6.

It is not necessary to emphasize the fact that neither the table nor the two plates represent the relative capacity of the different horizons or the different states; the special requirements of the iron industry of the period in question and the newness of the ore industry in some of the states, caused the demand to bear very unequally on the production of different varieties of ores and of different geographical areas.

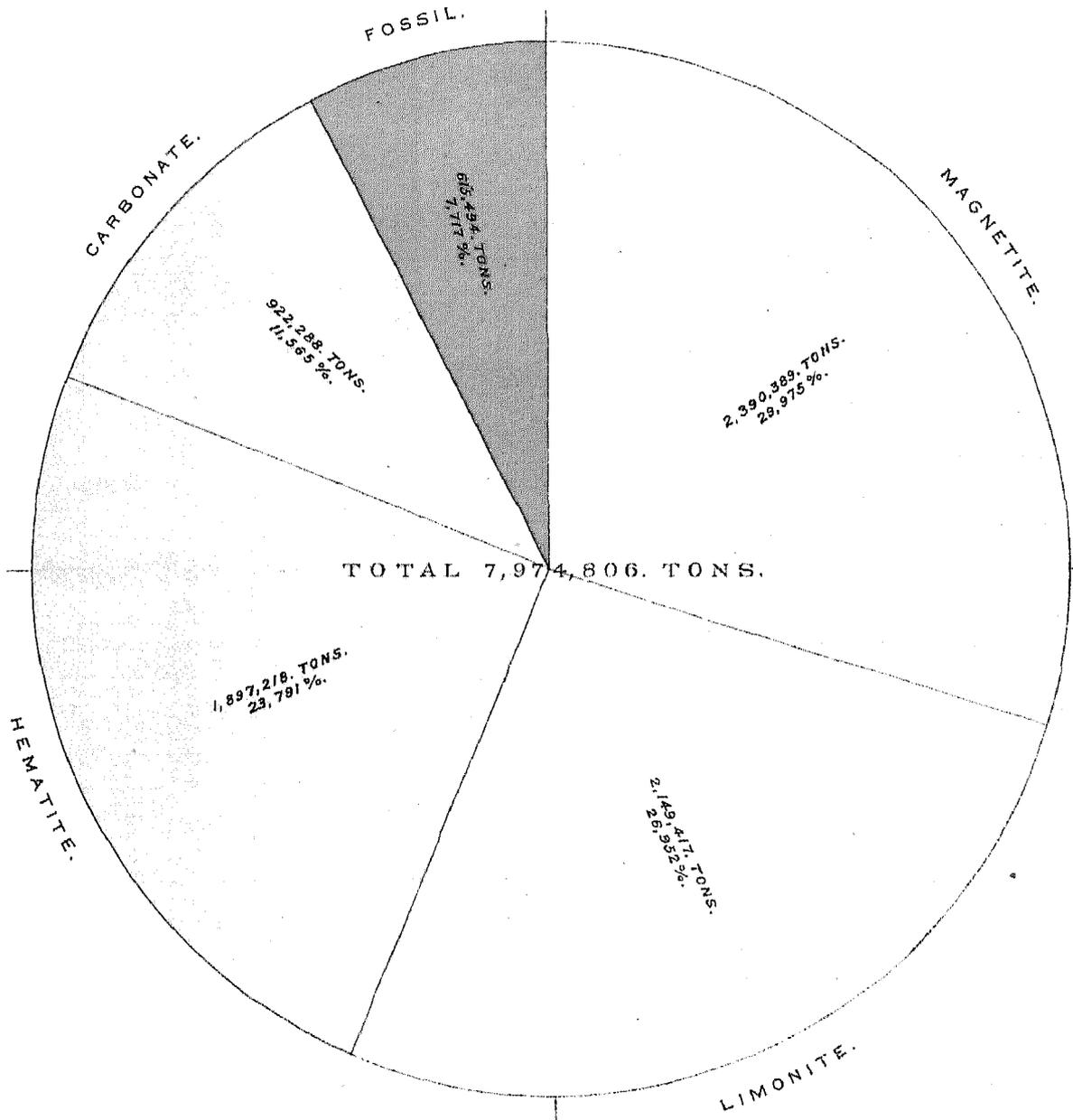
b From these representations, especially from plate XII, it will be seen that nearly one-half of the ore product of the country was mined from the Archæan, the Huronian producing a little more than the Laurentian. The Lower Silurian, essentially the deposits in the Siluro-Cambrian limestone, produced more ore than either one of the members of the Archæan.

Plate XII shows, also, in a very striking manner, that each of the great ore-bearing horizons is remarkable for an immensely preponderating ore which is different from the dominant ores of the other great horizons. Thus the magnetites are peculiarly Laurentian, the specular hematites Huronian, the limonites Siluro-Cambrian, the fossil hematites Upper Silurian (Clinton), and the carbonates almost peculiar to the Carboniferous.

c It is proper to say here that a certain amount of what is shown as Huronian hematite—several hundred thousand tons—is martite, and therefore, while for all commercial purposes it is a hematite, in its geological and genetic relations it is a magnetic ore. Further, the ores classed as Huronian limonites are all derived from hematite, while on the other hand the Lower Silurian magnetites of Pennsylvania are altered limonite bodies.

From this table it appears that the different geological horizons produced of the different varieties as follows:

LAURENTIAN:	
Magnetite	1,824,435
Total.....	<u>1,824,435</u>
HURONIAN:	
Limonite	331,764
Hematite	1,573,986
Magnetite	160,681
Total	<u>2,066,431</u>
LOWER SILURIAN:	
Limonite	1,624,322
Hematite	323,792
Magnetite	405,273
Total.....	<u>2,352,387</u>
UPPER SILURIAN:	
Fossil hematite	615,282
Limonite	95,301
Total.....	<u>710,583</u>
DEVONIAN:	
Fossil hematite	212
Limonite	39,224
Total.....	<u>39,436</u>
SUB-CARBONIFEROUS:	
Limonite	30,630
Total.....	<u>30,630</u>
CARBONIFEROUS:	
Carbonates and derivatives	848,856
Total.....	<u>848,856</u>
MESOZOIC:	
Carbonate and derivatives	73,632
Total.....	<u>73,632</u>
CENOZOIC:	
Limonite	28,616
Total.....	<u>28,616</u>



Note: All the coal measure ores (Carbonates and their derivative limonites) are placed under "carbonates." The Carbonate ores of Maryland are also put in that section. - The specular ores are classed with the hematites.

IRON ORE MINED IN THE CENSUS YEAR, BY KINDS.

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TONS
2,250,000

2,000,000

1,750,000

1,500,000

1,250,000

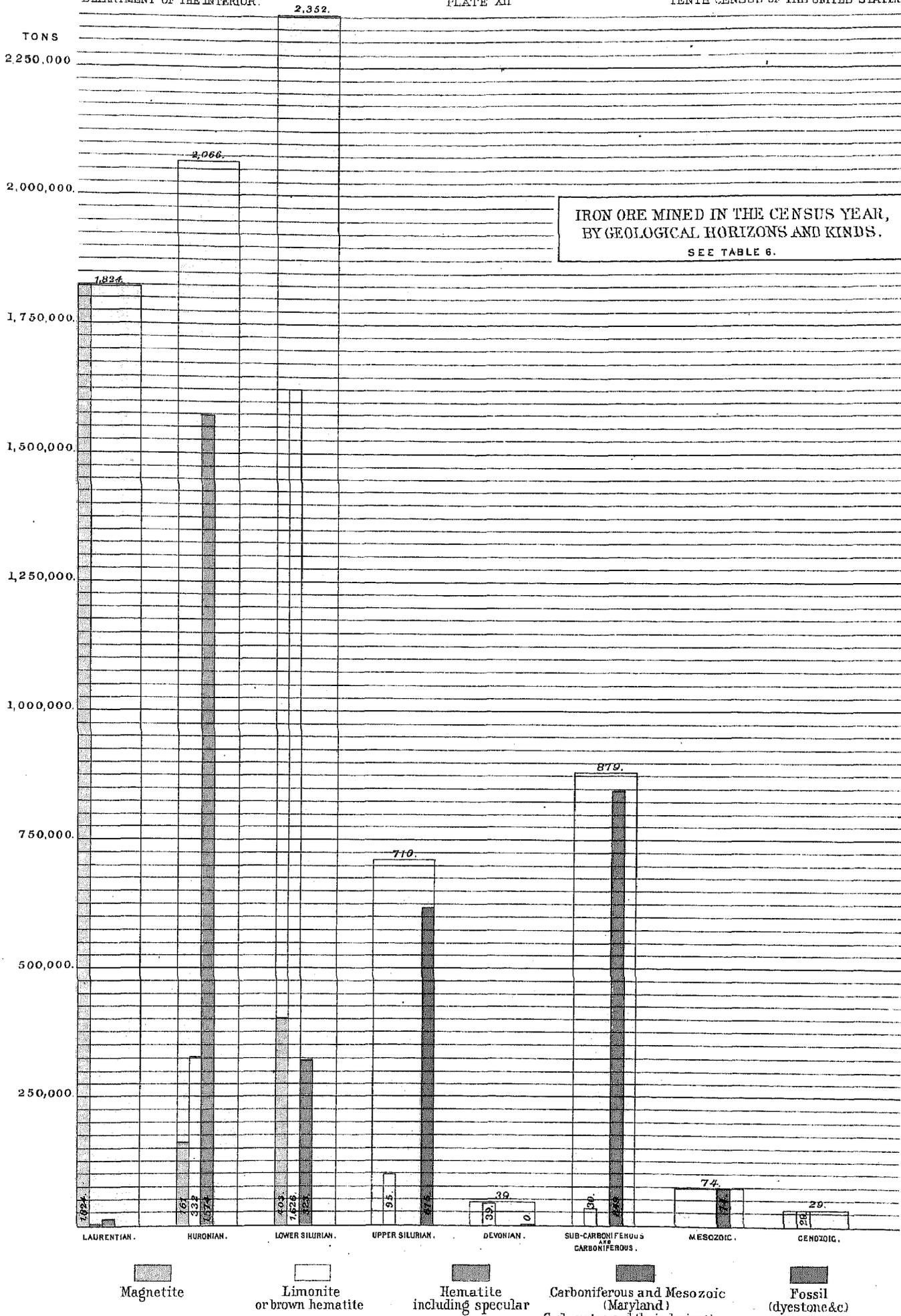
1,000,000

750,000

500,000

250,000

IRON ORE MINED IN THE CENSUS YEAR,
BY GEOLOGICAL HORIZONS AND KINDS.
SEE TABLE 6.



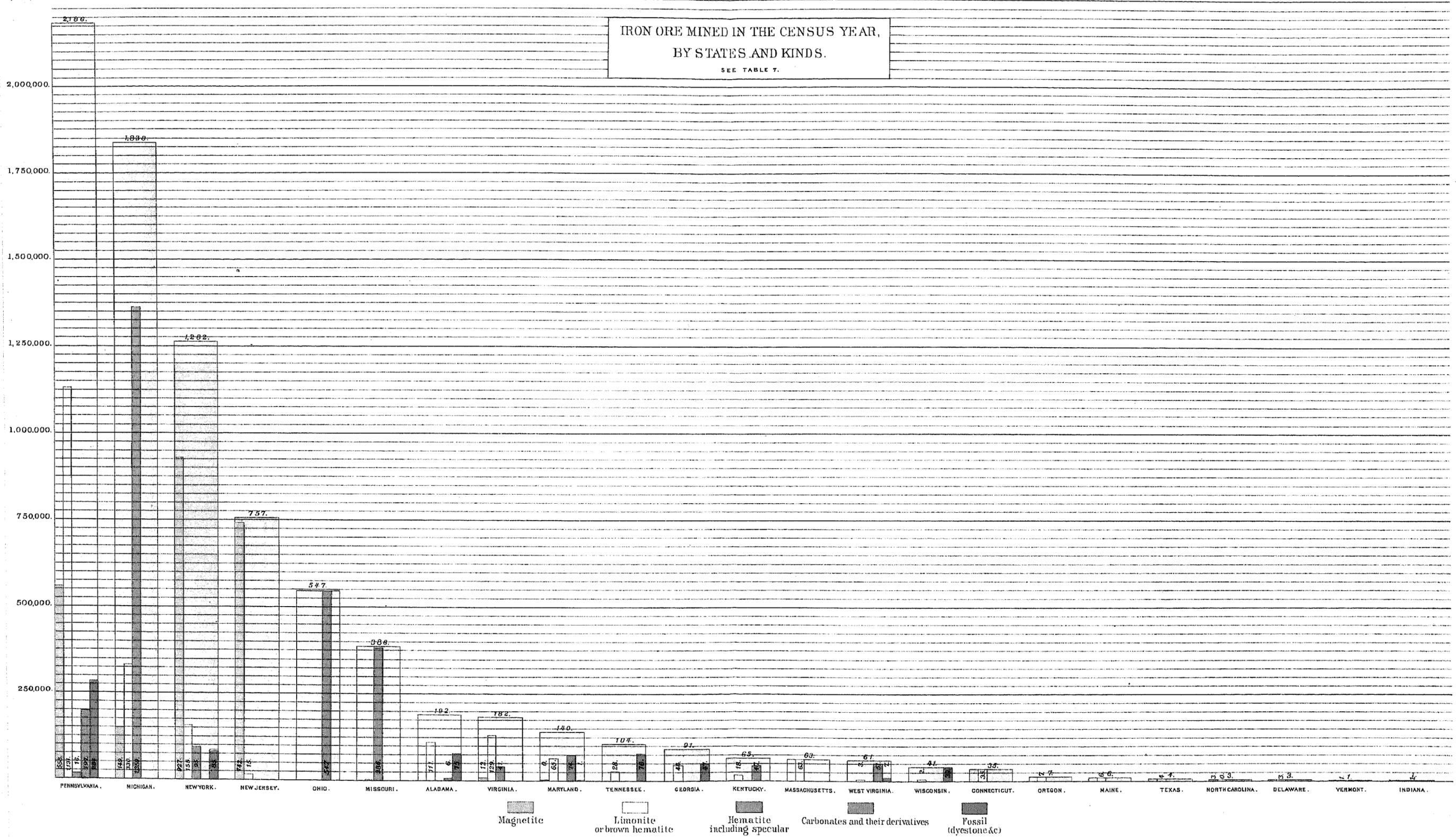
Magnetite
Limonite or brown hematite
Hematite including specular
Carboniferous and Mesozoic Carbonates and their derivatives
Fossil (dyestone &c)

The total product of ore of each horizon is shown by the extreme height of the grey column.
Note. The figures indicate thousands of tons. 0 is used where less than 500 tons were produced.

TONS
2,250,000.

IRON ORE MINED IN THE CENSUS YEAR,
BY STATES AND KINDS.

SEE TABLE 7.



The total output of a State is shown by the extreme height of its column.
Note. The figures indicate thousands of tons. 0 is used where less than 500 tons were produced.

TABLE 7.—Iron ore mined in the census year, by states and by kinds.

[Compare with Plate XIII, and, for totals, with Plate XI.]

States.	Magnetite.	Limonite.	Hematite.	Carbonate.	Fossil.	Total.
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
Alabama.....		110,008		5,702	75,218	191,070
Connecticut.....		35,018				35,018
Delaware.....		2,720				2,720
Georgia.....		44,210			47,206	91,416
Kentucky.....		17,000		47,140		64,800
Indiana.....		513				513
Maine.....		0,000				0,000
Maryland.....	218	64,700		73,692	1,018	130,628
Massachusetts.....		62,037				62,037
Michigan.....	148,710	1,859,897	1,859,090			1,857,712
Missouri.....		112	386,085			386,197
New Jersey.....	741,864	15,508				757,372
New York.....	927,052	154,868	94,765		85,442	1,202,127
North Carolina.....	2,802	516				3,318
Ohio.....				547,403		547,403
Oregon.....		6,972				6,972
Pennsylvania.....	557,924	1,130,006	16,832	107,874	283,840	2,185,675
Tennessee.....		27,904			70,561	104,465
Texas.....		3,600				3,600
Vermont.....			560			560
Virginia.....	11,810	120,070	41,440			182,320
West Virginia.....		8,248		50,068	7,000	61,216
Wisconsin.....		2,240			30,200	41,440
The United States { Totals.....	2,390,380	2,148,857	1,897,778	922,288	615,494	7,974,806
{ Percentages.....	29.975	26.945	23.797	11.565	7.717	

a "Soft hematites" (near Negaunee). These ores are more or less hydrated, and are therefore classed for convenience with the limonites, although genetically they belong to the hematites, from which they are derived.

TABLE 8.—Iron ore mined in the census year, by states and counties and by kinds.

[Compare with Plates XV to XXI, inclusive.]

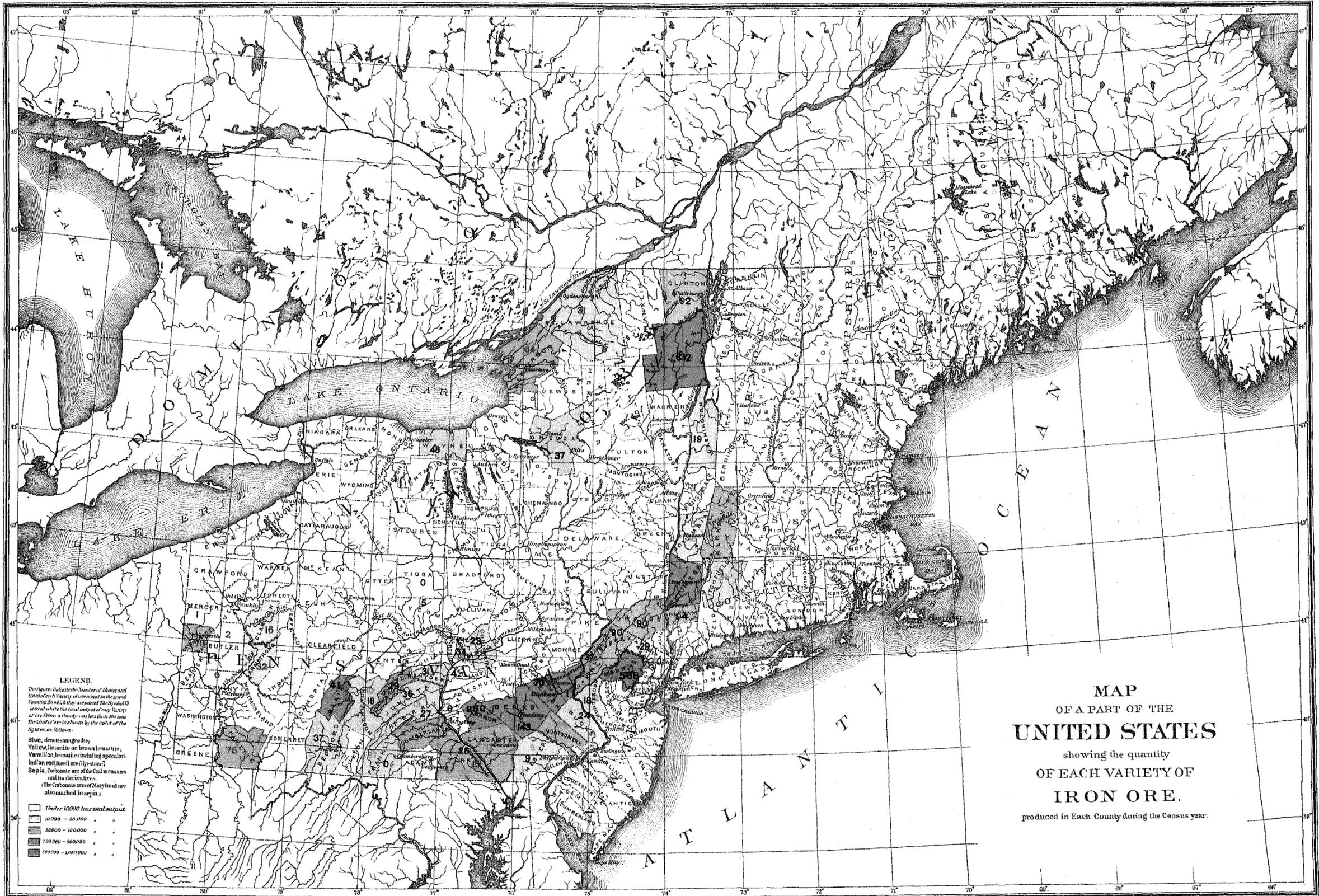
State and county.	Fossil.	Carbonate of the Coal Measures and derivatives.	Hematite.	Limonite.	Magnetite.	Total.
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
ALABAMA.						
Bibb.....				5,670		5,670
Calhoun.....				27,842		27,842
Cherokee.....	1,080			31,007		32,086
De Kalb.....	227					227
Etowah.....	21,004					21,004
Jefferson.....	40,213	5,702				45,915
Saint Clair.....	12,685					12,685
Shelby.....				25,787		25,787
Talladega.....				5,338		5,338
Tuscaloosa.....				14,152		14,152
The state.....	76,218	5,702		110,696		191,670
CONNECTICUT.						
Litchfield.....				35,018		35,018
DELAWARE.						
New Castle.....				2,720		2,720
GEORGIA.						
Bartow.....				11,353		11,353
Dade.....	47,206					47,206
Polk.....				32,857		32,857
The state.....	47,206			44,210		91,416
KENTUCKY.						
Bath.....				550		550
Boyd.....		0,300				0,300
Carter.....		14,749				14,749
Estill.....		1,500				1,500
Greenup.....		20,064				20,064
Lyon.....				8,505		8,505
Powell.....		1,500				1,500
Trigg.....				8,005		8,005
The state.....		47,149		17,660		64,809

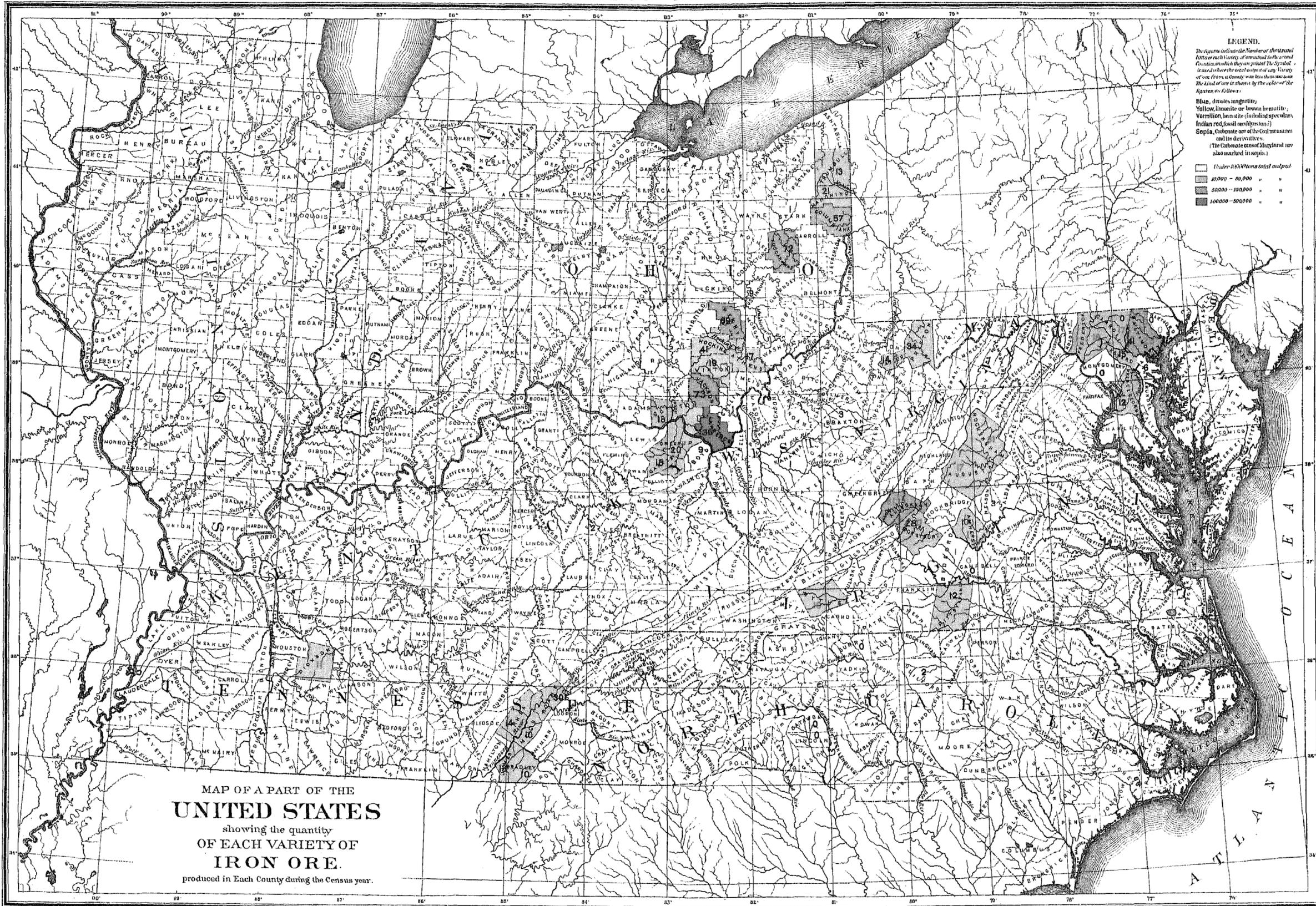
TABLE 8.—Iron-ore mined in the census year, by states and counties and by kinds—Continued.

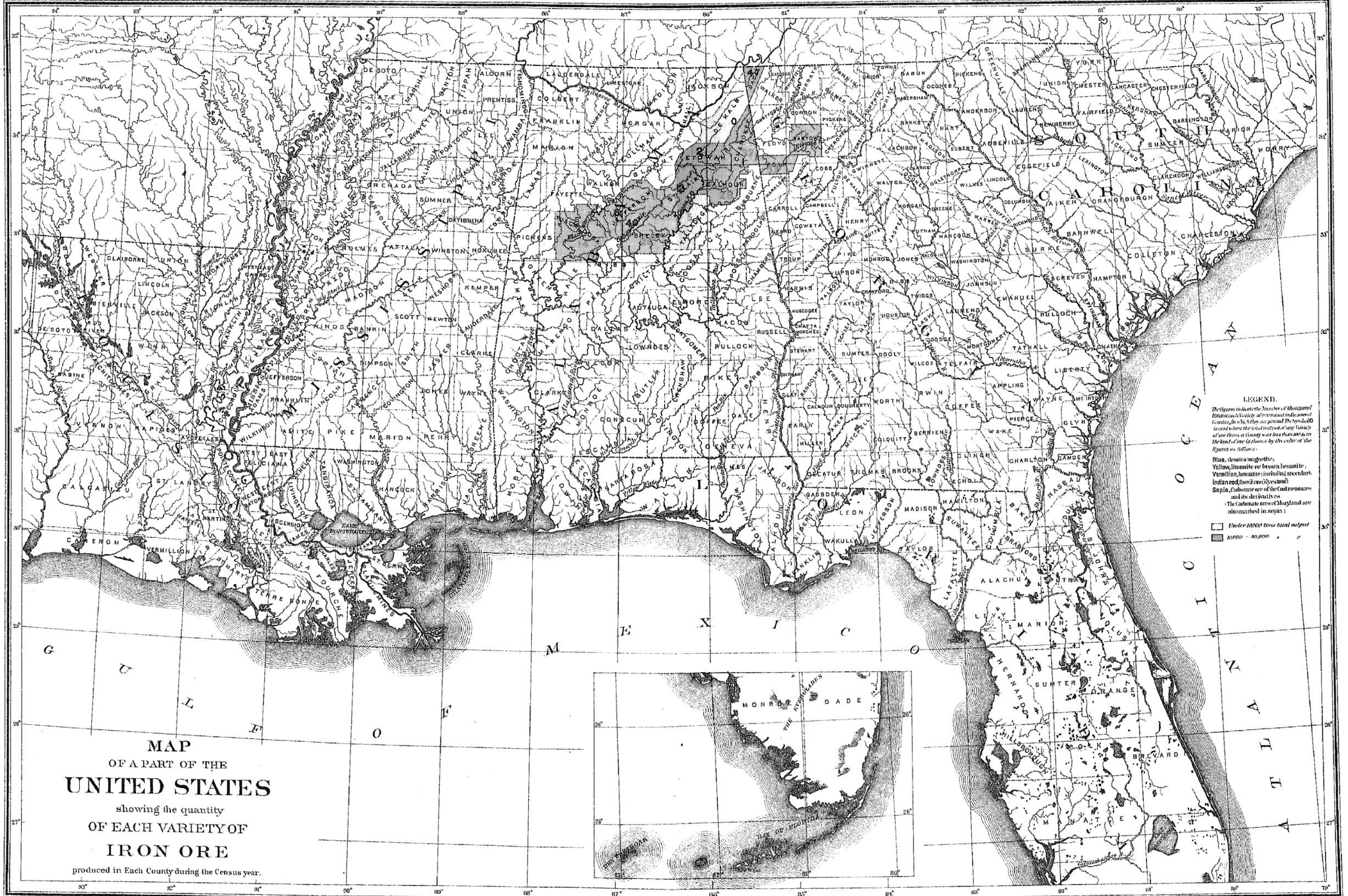
State and county.	Fossil.	Carbonate of the Coal Measures and derivatives.	Hematite.	Limonite.	Magnetite.	Total.
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
INDIANA.						
Martin.....				513		513
MAINE.						
Piscataquis.....				6,000		6,000
MARYLAND.						
Anne Arundel.....		a 6,184				6,184
Alleghany.....	1,018			3,494		4,512
Baltimore.....		a 40,533		23,809		63,842
Carroll.....				17,134	218	17,352
Cecil.....				2,016		2,016
Frederick.....				18,166		18,166
Harford.....		a 196		81		277
Howard.....		a 14,075				14,075
Montgomery.....		a 25				25
Prince George.....		a 12,019				12,019
Washington.....				500		500
The state.....	1,018	73,632		64,760	218	130,628
MASSACHUSETTS.						
Berkshire.....				62,637		62,637
MICHIGAN.						
Marquette.....			867,740	320,897	148,710	1,340,365
Menominee.....			491,347			491,347
The state.....			1,359,086	320,897	148,710	1,837,712
MISSOURI.						
Crawford.....			87,033			87,033
Dent.....			58,878			58,878
Franklin.....			8,064			8,064
Gasconade.....			1,120			1,120
Iron.....			57,297			57,297
Phelps.....			29,320			29,320
Saint Francois.....			144,153	112		144,265
Washington.....			214			214
The state.....			386,085	112		386,197
NEW JERSEY.						
Bergen.....					280	280
Hunterdon.....				1,540	18,086	19,627
Morris.....				500	567,921	568,420
Passaic.....					29,166	29,166
Sussex.....					289,065	289,065
Warren.....				13,468	36,740	50,214
The state.....				15,508	741,864	757,372
NEW YORK.						
Essex.....					631,807	631,807
Clinton.....					92,166	92,166
Columbia.....				18,224		18,224
Dutchess.....				126,654		126,654
Jefferson.....			64,111			64,111
Oneida.....	37,052					37,052
Orange.....				672	90,070	90,742
Putnam.....					94,117	94,117
Richmond.....				9,318		9,318
Saint Lawrence.....			30,654			30,654
Washington.....					18,892	18,892
Wayne.....	48,300					48,300
The state.....	85,442		94,765	154,868	927,052	1,262,127
NORTH CAROLINA.						
Catawba.....					52	52
Cherokee.....				516		516
Guilford.....					1,680	1,680
Lincoln.....					250	250
Mitchell.....					720	720
Surry.....					100	100
The state.....				516	2,802	3,318

a The carbonate ores of Maryland are not Carboniferous, but as they are the only carbonate ores mined in the census year which are not of that age, they have been placed in this column for the sake of compactness of the table.

b Including 2,500 tons residue from Franklinite.



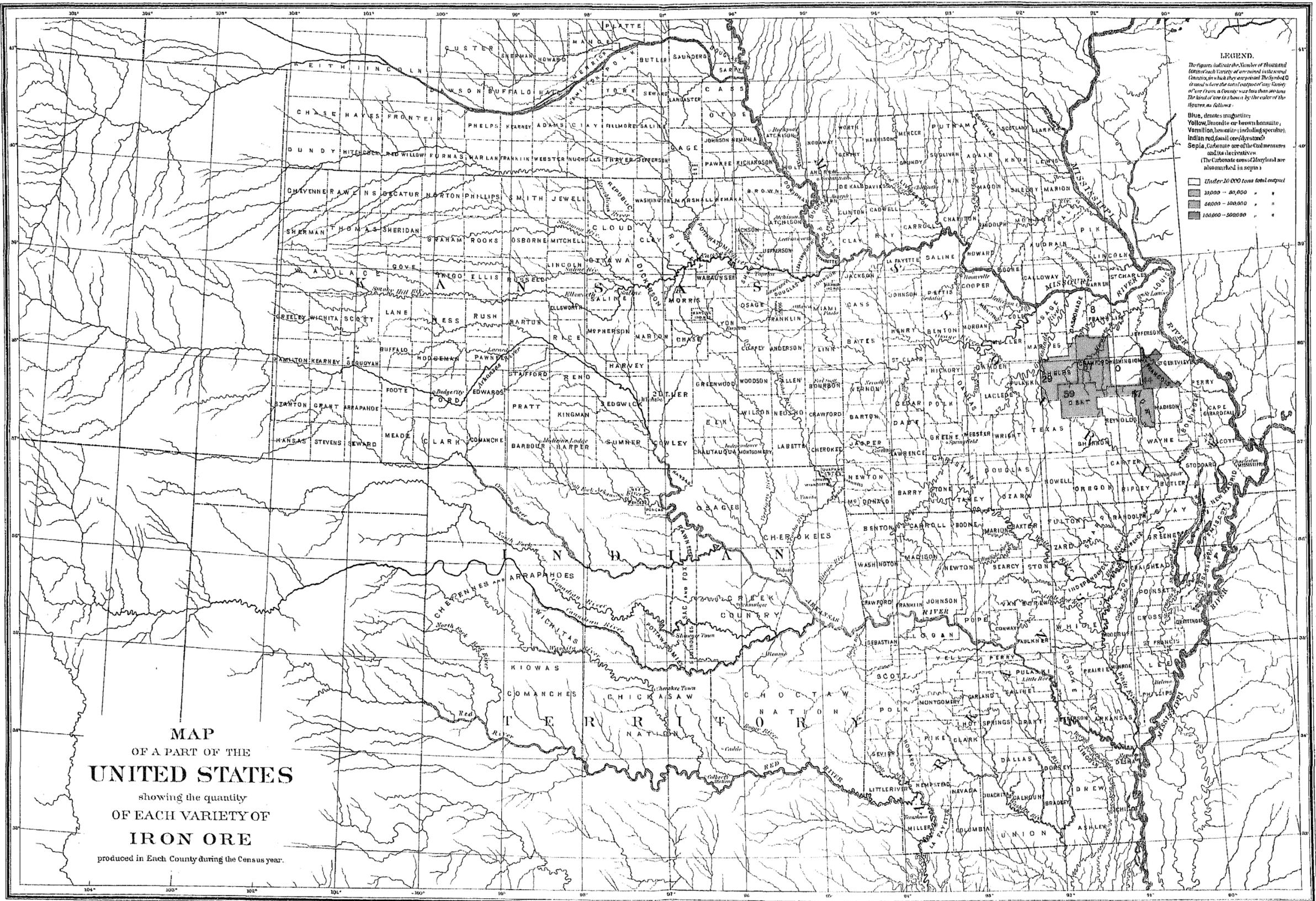






MAP
OF A PART OF THE
UNITED STATES
showing the quantity
OF EACH VARIETY OF
IRON ORE
produced in Each County during the Census year.

LEGEND.
The figures indicate the number of thousand tons of each variety of ore mined in the several Counties, on which they are printed. The symbol of a shaded square shows the total amount of any variety of ore mined in a County, and the color of the square shows the color of the ore, as follows:
Blue, hematite magnetite;
Yellow, limonite or brown hematite;
Vermilion, hematite (including specular);
Indian red, fossil ore (siderite);
Sepia, Carbonate ore of the Coal measures and its derivatives.
The Carbonate ores of Maryland are also marked in sepia.

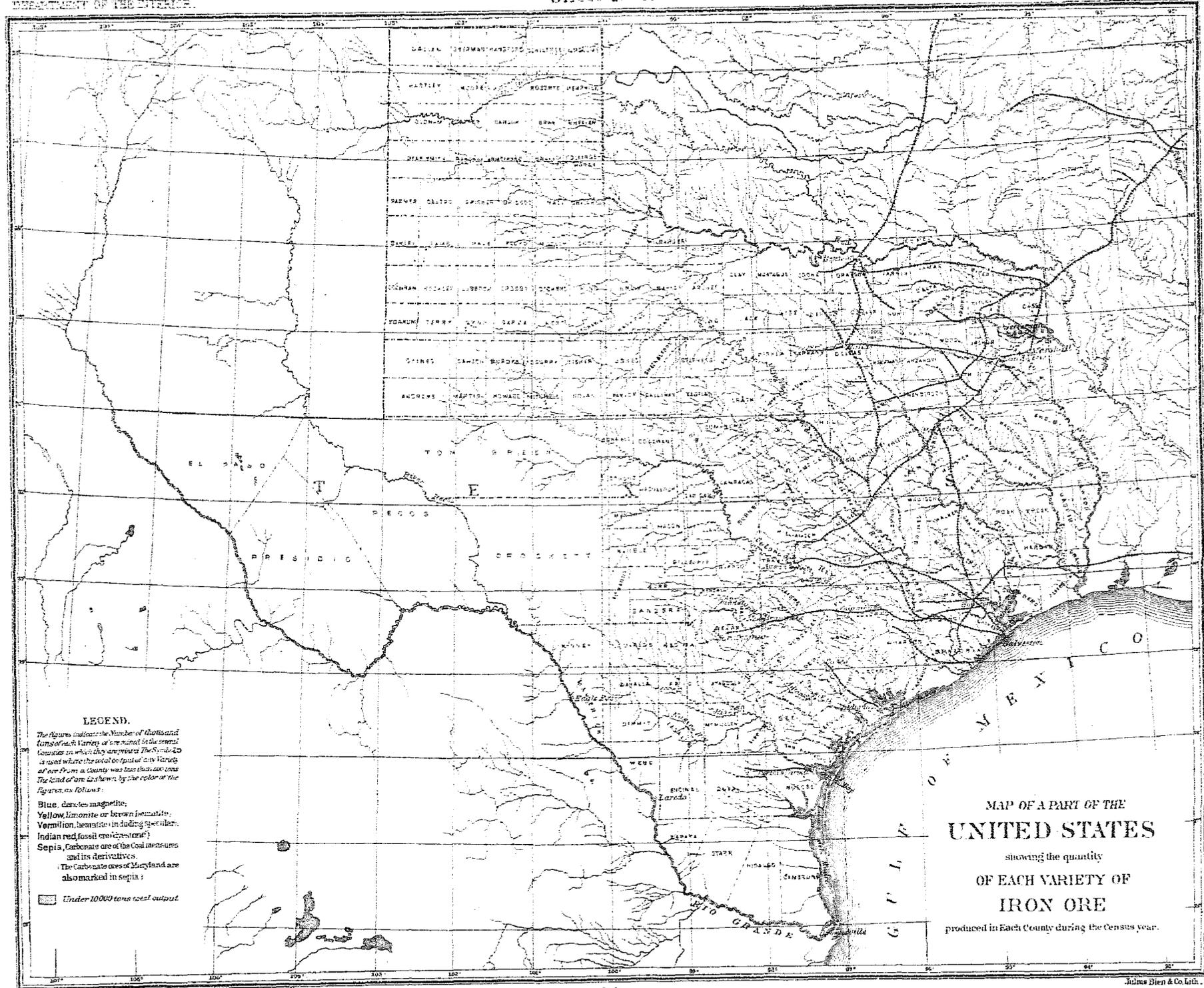


LEGEND.
 The figures indicate the Number of Thousand Tons of each variety of iron ore produced in the several Counties, in which they are named. The colored Circles show the total quantity of any variety of ore from a County was less than one ton. The kind of ore is shown by the color of the figures, as follows:

- Blue, denotes magnetite;
- Yellow, hematite or brown hematite;
- Vermilion, hematite (including specular);
- Indian red, fossil (specular);
- Sepia, carbonate ore of the Coal measures and its derivatives. (The Carbonate ores of Maryland are also marked in sepia.)

Under 10,000 tons total output
 10,000 - 20,000 " "
 20,000 - 50,000 " "
 50,000 - 100,000 " "
 100,000 - 500,000 " "

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LEGEND.

The figures indicate the number of thousands of tons of each variety of ore mined in the several counties in which they are mined. The 5,000-20 is used where the total output of any variety of ore from a county was less than 100 tons. The kind of ore is shown by the color of the figures, as follows:

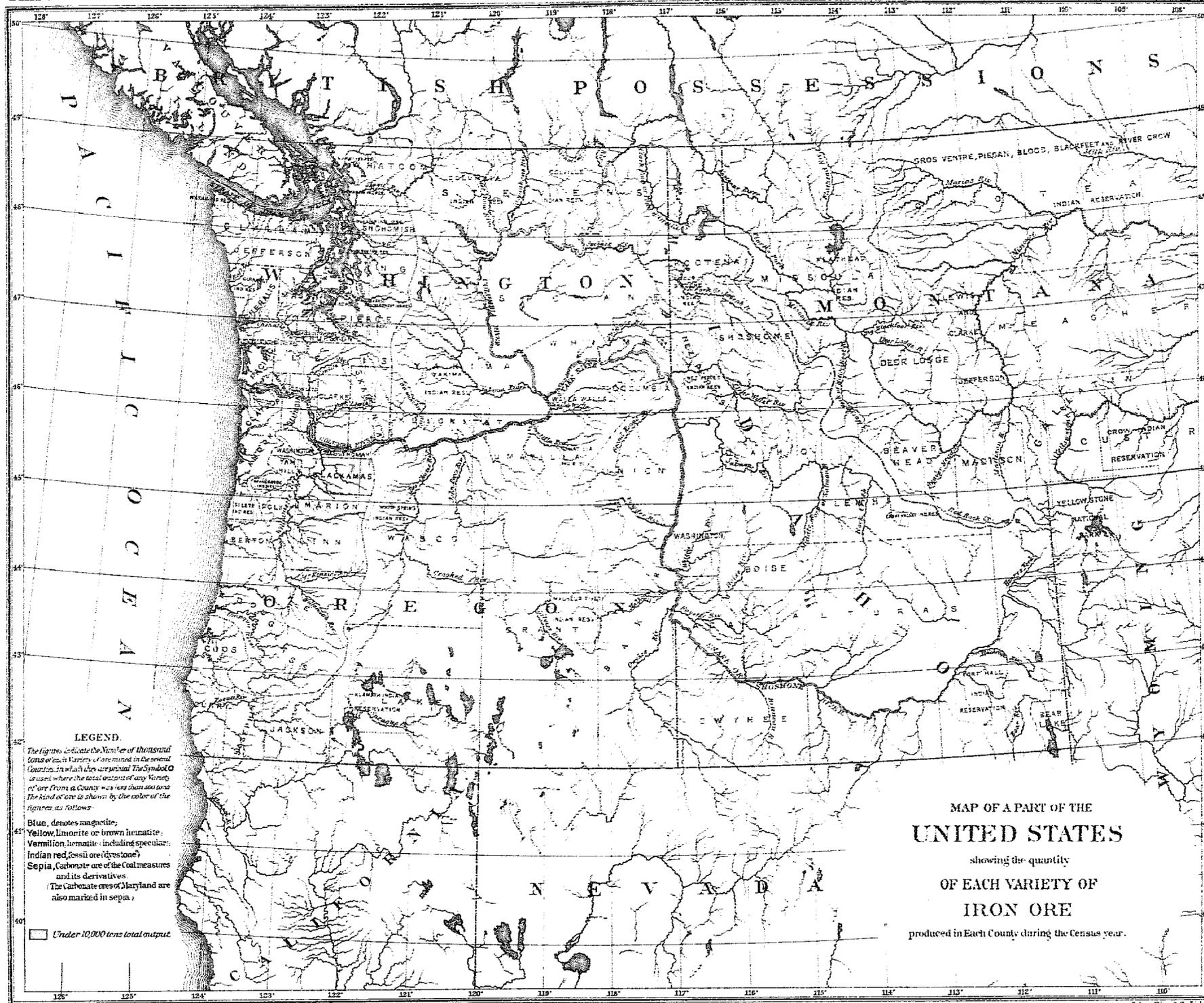
- Blue, denotes magnetite;
 - Yellow, limonite or brown hematite;
 - Vermilion, hematite in its specular form;
 - Indian red, fossil ore (specular);
 - Sepia, carbonate ore of the coal measures and its derivatives.
- The carbonate ores of Maryland are also marked in sepia.

 Under 10,000 tons total output.

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Scale
 0 5 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 Miles

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IRON ORE
 produced in Each County during the Census year.

LEGEND.

The figures indicate the Number of thousand tons of ore mined in the several Counties, in which they are printed. The Symbol **O** is used where the total output of any variety of ore from a County was less than 100 tons. The kind of ore is shown by the color of the figures as follows:

- Blue, denotes magnetite;
- Yellow, limonite or brown hematite;
- Vermilion, hematite (including specular);
- Indian red, fossil ore (gypsum);
- Sepia, Carbonate ore of the Coal measures and its derivatives.

The Carbonate ores of Maryland are also marked in sepia.

Under 10,000 tons total output.

TABLE 8.—Iron ore mined in the census year, by states and counties and by kinds—Continued.

State and county.	Fossil.	Carbonate of the Coal Measures and derivatives.	Hematite.	Limonite.	Magnetite.	Total.
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
OHIO.						
Athens		17,000				17,000
Columbiana		50,040				50,040
Cuyahoga		1,224				1,224
Gallia		680				680
Hocking		40,740				40,740
Jackson		73,423				73,423
Lawrence		136,404				136,404
Mahoning		20,630				20,630
Muskingum		8,654				8,654
Perry		69,373				69,373
Scioto		17,837				17,837
Stark		500				500
Trumbull		12,735				12,735
Tuscarawas		72,888				72,888
Vinton		18,800				18,800
The state		547,463				547,463
OREGON.						
Clackamas				6,972		6,972
PENNSYLVANIA.						
Adams				560		560
Allegheny		350				350
Armstrong		31,557				31,557
Bedford	87,369					87,369
Berks				150,074	145,880	304,954
Blair	40,636			114,278		154,914
Bucks					24,192	24,192
Butler		2,318				2,318
Carbon				852		852
Centre				8,035		8,035
Chester				5,031	9,006	14,037
Clarion		15,705				15,705
Columbia	22,588					22,588
Cumberland				75,015		75,015
Dauphin			1,120	1,056	56	3,132
Fayette		76,140				76,140
Franklin				36,558	56	36,614
Huntingdon	15,027			10,180		26,113
Juniata	35,729					35,729
Lancaster				78,850		78,850
Lawrence		70,206				70,206
Lebanon				5,620	220,000	225,620
Lehigh				349,302	70,398	419,700
Lycoming	5,374					5,374
Mercer		1,008				1,008
Mifflin	29,333			24,366		53,699
Montgomery				94,337		94,337
Montour	33,890					33,890
Northampton				121,704	732	122,436
Northumberland	4,164			1,978		6,142
Perry	26,650			12,734		39,384
Snyder	31,426					31,426
Tioga	100					100
Union	663			146		809
York			14,712	28,165	27,604	70,481
The state	233,840	197,374	15,832	1,130,696	557,924	2,136,675
TENNESSEE.						
Blount				2,342		2,342
Bradley	9,931					9,931
Carter				4,445		4,445
Dickson				10,773		10,773
Hambleton				5,600		5,600
James	13,235					13,235
Johnson				3,060		3,060
Lawrence				641		641
Meigs	10,200					10,200
Rhea	13,608					13,608
Roane	29,581					29,581
Stewart				1,043		1,043
The state	76,561			27,904		104,465

TABLE 8.—Iron ore mined in the census year, by states and counties and by kinds—Continued.

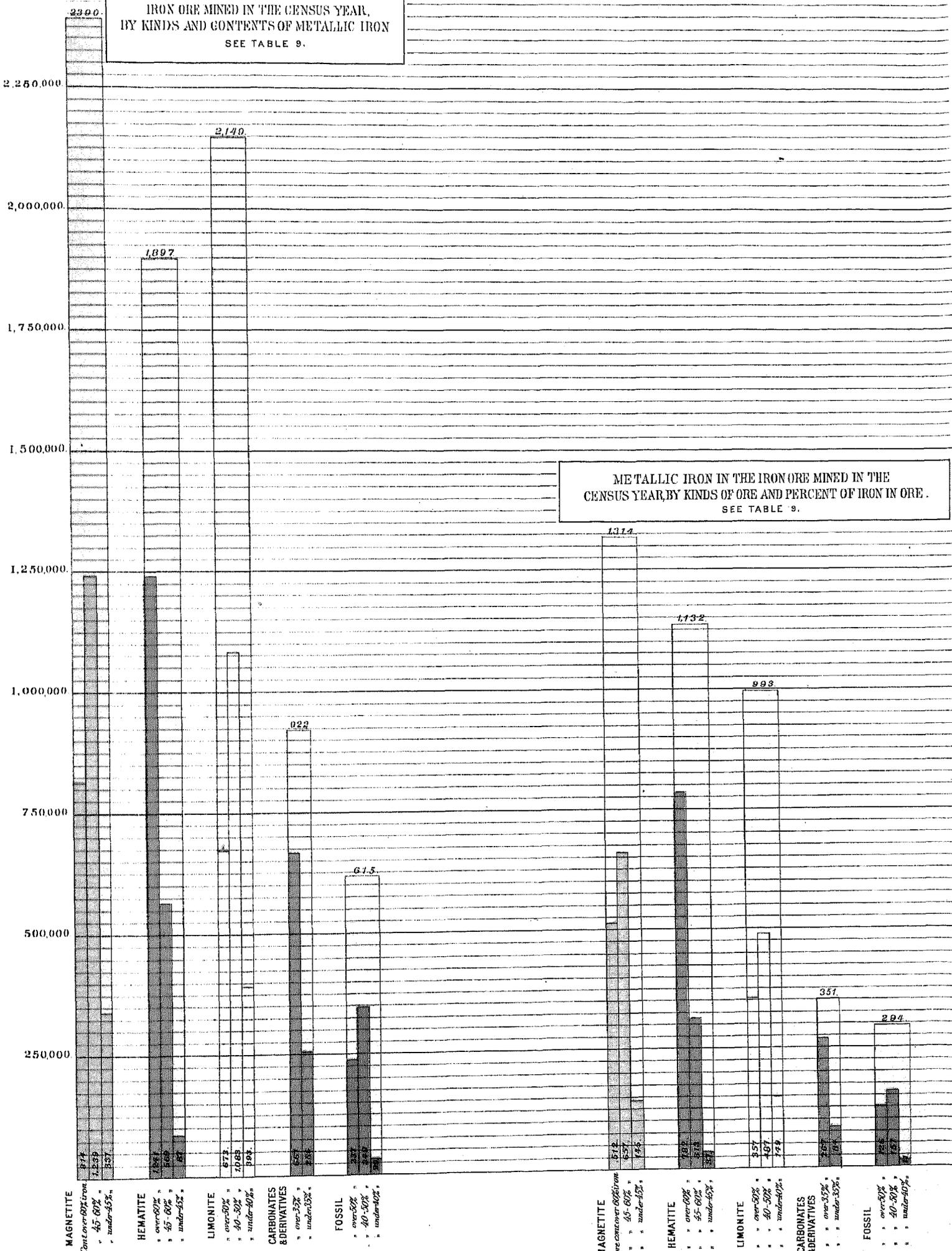
State and county.	Fossil.	Carbonate of the Coal Measures and derivatives.	Hematite.	Limonite.	Magnetite.	Total.
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
TEXAS.						
Marion				3,000		3,000
VERMONT.						
Franklin.....			560			560
VIRGINIA.						
Albemarle.....				53		53
Alleghany.....				61,106		61,106
Amherst.....			10,080	560		10,640
Augusta.....				10,762		10,762
Bedford.....				500		500
Botetourt.....			28,000	225		28,225
Campbell.....				224	84	308
Louisa.....				14		14
Nelson.....			3,360			3,360
Pittsylvania.....					11,726	11,726
Rockingham.....				31,360		31,360
Shenandoah.....				7,856		7,856
Wythe.....				10,413		10,413
The state.....			41,440	129,076	11,810	182,326
WEST VIRGINIA.						
Braxton.....		2,500				2,500
Hampshire.....	7,000					7,000
Hardy.....				448		448
Kanawha.....		845				845
Morgan.....				2,800		2,800
Preston.....		33,825				33,825
Taylor.....		18,798				18,798
The state.....	7,000	50,968		3,248		61,216
WISCONSIN.						
Dodge.....	39,200					39,200
Sauk.....				2,240		2,240
The state.....	39,200			2,240		41,440
The United States.....	615,494	922,288	1,897,778	2,148,857	2,390,389	7,974,806

TABLE 9.—Iron ore mined in the census year (a) by kinds of ore and its per cent. of metallic iron, and (b) by kinds of ore and the amount of its contained iron.

[Compare with Plate XXII.]

	Tons of ore.	Tons of iron.
MAGNETITE.		
Under 45 per cent., say 43 per cent	336,867 × 43 per cent. =	144,853
45 to 60 per cent., say 53 per cent	1,239,770 × 53 per cent. =	657,078
Over 60 per cent., say 63 per cent	813,752 × 63 per cent. =	512,663
Total	<u>2,390,389</u>	<u>1,314,594</u>
LIMONITE.		
Under 40 per cent., say 38 per cent	393,551 × 38 per cent. =	149,549
40 to 50 per cent., say 45 per cent	1,082,344 × 45 per cent. =	487,055
Over 50 per cent., say 53 per cent	672,962 × 53 per cent. =	356,670
Total	<u>2,148,857</u>	<u>993,274</u>
HEMATITE.		
Under 45 per cent., say 43 per cent	86,937 × 43 per cent. =	37,383
45 to 60 per cent., say 55 per cent	569,364 × 55 per cent. =	313,150
Over 60 per cent., say 63 per cent	1,241,477 × 63 per cent. =	782,130
Total	<u>1,897,778</u>	<u>1,132,663</u>
CARBONATE AND DERIVATIVES.		
Under 35 per cent., say 33 per cent	254,777 × 33 per cent. =	84,076
Over 35 per cent., say 40 per cent	667,511 × 40 per cent. =	267,004
Total	<u>922,288</u>	<u>351,080</u>

IRON ORE MINED IN THE CENSUS YEAR,
BY KINDS AND CONTENTS OF METALLIC IRON
SEE TABLE 9.



METALLIC IRON IN THE IRON ORE MINED IN THE
CENSUS YEAR, BY KINDS OF ORE AND PERCENT OF IRON IN ORE.
SEE TABLE 9.

Note: Figures are in thousands of tons.

TABLE 9.—Iron ore mined in the census year (a) by kinds of ore and its per cent. of metallic iron, and (b) by kinds of a ore and the amount of its contained iron—Continued.

FOSSIL.		
Under 40 per cent., say 38 per cent	29, 121 × 38 per cent. =	11, 066
40 to 50 per cent., say 45 per cent	349, 203 × 45 per cent. =	157, 144
Over 50 per cent., say 53 per cent	237, 165 × 53 per cent. =	125, 697
Total	615, 494	293, 907
Grand total	7, 974, 806	4, 085, 518

This gives an average per cent. of metallic iron in all the ore mined in the census year equal to 51.22. b

In Mr. Swank's report on the statistics of the iron and steel production of the United States it is stated that there were produced from blast-furnaces 3,781,021 tons of pig-iron and castings from 7,256,684 tons of ore, which would show an average yield of the ore of 52.13 per cent. of iron.

PLATE XXII AND TABLE 9.

From the columns on the left half of this plate we learn that of the three grades of magnetite the largest product was of ore of the middle grade, containing 45 to 60 per cent. iron, and next in the highest grade; but there were mined over 336,867 tons of magnetite containing less than 45 per cent. of iron.

On the other hand, among the hematites the larger product was in the highest grade, over 60 per cent. iron, and within 2,000 tons of the largest magnetite tonnage, which was, as above stated, in the middle grade, 45 to 60 per cent. iron, while only a small amount (87,000 tons) of hematite was mined of the lowest grade, viz, under c 45 per cent. of iron. The reason for this difference between the low-grade magnetite and low-grade hematite doubtless lies largely in the fact that the latter are more silicious and refractory than the former.

Again, in the limonite column, we find in its middle grade (40 to 50 per cent. iron) the largest tonnage, and a much larger product of its low grade (under 40 per cent. iron) than that of the lowest grade hematite. The advantage thus possessed by the lower grades of the hydrated ores is doubtless due in part to the fact that part of their impurity is water, which is much more cheaply got rid of than silica, and in part to the fact that their impurity being largely of aluminous constituents, they work to advantage with silicious ore.

The columns on the right hand show the relative amounts of metallic iron in tons contributed to the metallic-iron product of the United States in the census year by the different varieties of ore.

These amounts are obtained by multiplying tonnage by the percentage of metallic iron, as determined by our d own analysis of the commercial and differential samples taken by our own experts.

From these columns it appears that while the largest amount of iron was contributed by the three grades of magnetite, the largest amount contributed among all the varieties by any one grade came from the richest hematite, carrying over 60 per cent. iron.

A comparison of these columns with those of plate XII will show very strikingly the overwhelming importance of the older formations as contributors, nearly six-sevenths of the metallic iron having come from the Archæan and Siluro-Cambrian deposits, while three-fifths came from the Archæan alone.

A similar comparison, when made for the production of 1890, will probably show that the dominant contributor will be the hematite of the Huronian, and that the "fossil" ores will contribute more than the carbonates. e

TABLE 10.—Iron ore mined in the census year, by its per cent. of metallic iron, by kinds, and by states.

[NOTE.—The figures in bold-faced type indicate tons of ore from mines from which no samples have been analyzed. The classification in such cases was based on the general character of the ore of the region. The amount of this estimated product is in each case included in the amount indicated by the common-faced figures that stand directly under the bold-faced ones. For instance, Alabama is credited with 5,762 tons of carbonate ore containing less than 35 per cent. of metallic iron. The mines that produced 4,082 (5,762-1,680) tons of this were sampled, and the classification of their product is based upon the analyses of the samples. No samples were taken, however, from the mines from which 1,680 tons of ore was raised, and the classification of this portion of the product is based simply on the known general character of similar ore from the region. Again, although many samples of the carbonate ores of Ohio and Maryland, were analyzed, as these ores are mined from small openings along almost continuous outcrops, it was not practicable to identify the analyses with definite amounts of ore mined in the census year. The classification of such ores was based upon their general character as shown by the analyses. Of the total product of 7,974,806 tons, 5,020,003 tons are classified from analyses of ore from producing mines, and 2,954,803 tons are classified from the general character of similar known ore.]

States.	MAGNETITE.			LIMONITE.			HEMATITE.			CARBONATE.		FOSSIL.			Total. Tons.
	Under 45 per cent.	45 to 60 per cent.	Over 60 per cent.	Under 40 per cent.	40 to 50 per cent.	Over 50 per cent.	Under 45 per cent.	45 to 60 per cent.	Over 60 per cent.	Under 35 per cent.	Over 35 per cent.	Under 40 per cent.	40 to 50 per cent.	Over 50 per cent.	
Alabama.....	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
Connecticut.....					28, 293	82, 403									
Delaware.....				2, 054	84, 878	140									
Georgia.....					15, 000 18, 584	3, 849 25, 026								47, 206 47, 206	
Indiana.....					513 513										
Kentucky.....					17, 000					2, 088 6, 624	2, 000 40, 525				
Maine.....					6, 000										
Maryland.....			218		64, 760 64, 760						73, 632 73, 632		1, 018		

TABLE 10.—Iron ore mined in the census year, by its per cent. of metallic iron, by kinds, and by states—Continued.

States.	MAGNETITE.			LIMONITE.			HEMATITE.			CARBONATE.		FOSSIL.			Total.
	Under 45 per cent.	45 to 60 per cent.	Over 60 per cent.	Under 40 per cent.	40 to 50 per cent.	Over 50 per cent.	Under 45 per cent.	45 to 60 per cent.	Over 60 per cent.	Under 35 per cent.	Over 35 per cent.	Under 40 per cent.	40 to 50 per cent.	Over 50 per cent.	
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
Massachusetts					5,600 62,637										62,637
Michigan			148,710		14,157	60,425 815,740		7,701 360,283	33,600 998,813						1,837,712
Missouri					112 112			143,081	242,104						386,197
New Jersey	78,400	41,512 517,201	146,263		5,037 15,508										757,372
New York	130,425	26,274 200,047	506,580	14,149	1,824 140,719		55,577	255 30,188			280	85,162			1,262,127
North Carolina	100	290 2,022	680			404 516									3,318
Ohio										107,276 107,276	440,127 440,127				547,403
Oregon					6,972										6,972
Pennsylvania	127,942	127,390 420,982		303,732 374,640	341,513 552,473	158,395 203,574		15,832 15,832		94,325 100,631	74,456 87,743	22,338 28,841	173,672 225,898	10,121 20,170	2,185,675
Tennessee				1,130	11,893	2,458 14,881							5,684 17,278	5,684 50,283	104,465
Texas					3,600 3,600										3,600
Vermont									560 590						500
Virginia		518 518	11,202	1,560	97,425	30,082	31,360	10,080							182,326
West Virginia					3,248 3,248					25,484 25,484	25,484 25,484		7,000 7,000		61,216
Wisconsin					2,240 2,240									30,200	41,440
The United States	336,867	195,993 1,299,770	813,752	303,732 363,551	444,045 1,082,344	225,511 672,962	86,937	23,788 569,364	33,700 1,241,477	230,853 254,777	615,789 687,511	22,338 20,121	186,583 340,208	63,011 237,165	2,345,803 7,974,806

TABLE 10 a.—Metallic iron in the ore mined in the census year, by states, kinds of ore and its per cent. in metallic iron.

State.	METALLIC IRON IN MAGNETITE.			METALLIC IRON IN LIMONITE.			METALLIC IRON IN HEMATITE.			METALLIC IRON IN CARBONATE.		METALLIC IRON IN FOSSIL ORE.			Total.	Per cent.
	In ore containing under 45 per cent. iron, say 43 per cent.	In ore containing from 45 to 60 per cent. iron, say 53 per cent.	In ore containing over 60 per cent. iron, say 63 per cent.	In ore containing under 40 per cent. iron, say 33 per cent.	In ore containing from 40 to 50 per cent. iron, say 43 per cent.	In ore containing over 50 per cent. iron, say 53 per cent.	In ore containing under 45 per cent. iron, say 43 per cent.	In ore containing from 45 to 60 per cent. iron, say 53 per cent.	In ore containing over 60 per cent. iron, say 63 per cent.	In ore containing under 35 per cent. iron, say 33 per cent.	In ore containing over 35 per cent. iron, say 40 per cent.	In ore containing under 40 per cent. iron, say 38 per cent.	In ore containing from 40 to 50 per cent. iron, say 45 per cent.	In ore containing over 50 per cent. iron, say 53 per cent.		
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	
Alabama					12,732	43,674				1,901					97,130	2.378
Connecticut					15,095	74									15,769	0.388
Delaware				780	302										1,082	0.027
Georgia					8,363	13,582								25,019	46,964	1.149
Indiana					281										281	0.005
Kentucky					7,047					2,186	16,210				26,343	0.645
Maine					2,700										2,700	0.066
Maryland			137		20,142						29,458		458		50,100	1.449
Massachusetts					28,187										28,187	0.690
Michigan			98,693		6,371	167,942		198,156	620,252						1,094,814	26.797
Missouri					50			79,100	152,626						231,766	5.674
New Jersey	33,712	274,116	92,146		6,979										406,953	9.960
New York	56,083	153,725	310,145	5,377	61,324		23,898	21,533			106	38,323			681,534	16.681
North Carolina	45	1,072	428			273									1,810	0.044
Ohio										35,401	176,051				211,452	5.178
Oregon					3,137										3,137	0.077
Pennsylvania	55,015	227,890		142,367	248,613	107,804		8,707		36,178	35,097	10,980	101,628	15,460	989,800	24.227
Tennessee				420	5,352	7,887							7,775	31,420	52,863	1.294
Texas					1,620										1,620	0.040
Vermont														352	352	0.006
Virginia		276	7,114	596	46,841	15,944	13,485	5,544							86,709	2.125
West Virginia					1,461					8,410	10,193		3,150		23,214	0.568
Wisconsin					1,008									20,776	21,784	0.533
The United States	144,853	657,078	512,663	149,549	487,055	356,670	37,383	313,130	782,130	84,076	267,004	11,006	157,144	125,697	4,085,518	
Per cent.	3.545	16.083	12.548	3.601	11.921	8.731	0.915	7.666	19.148	2.058	6.536	0.271	3.846	3.076		100.000

TABLES 10 AND 10a AND PLATE XIII.

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Tables 10 and 10a show for each state the kinds and the grades of the ores mined, and the number of tons of metallic iron contributed by each grade.

The varied resources of Pennsylvania are shown by the fact that each of the five great varieties—magnetite, hematite, limonite, carbonate, and fossil ore—contributed to her product. While we see from plate XIII that the limonite furnished the largest amount of ore, and the magnetite the next largest, we see from table 10a that the largest contribution of metallic iron was from the middle grade of limonite, carrying from 40 to 50 per cent. iron; and the next largest amount was from the middle grade of magnetite, containing 45 to 60 per cent. iron. Only the middle grade of hematite is represented, and while the two grades of carbonate and derivatives contributed almost equal amounts, the middle grade of fossil ore—40 to 50 per cent. iron—furnished nearly four times as much iron as the highest and lowest grades combined.

In New Jersey it is the middle grade—45 to 60 per cent.—magnetites that furnishes the greater amount of iron, while in New York, whose center of production is much more distant from market, the magnetite of the highest grade ranks first as an iron producer.

Looking at the fossil ores, we find that while in Pennsylvania, New York, and West Virginia the middle grade—40 to 50 per cent. iron—is the largest contributor (New York furnished no fossil ore of the highest grade, and Pennsylvania only a small fraction), in the States of Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee, and Wisconsin the production was almost confined to the highest grade—over 50 per cent. iron.

Looking at the carbonates, we find that of the whole amount of iron from this source three-fourths came from the higher grade—over 35 per cent. iron.

In the hematites only New York and Virginia produced ores averaging below 45 per cent. iron, and only Michigan and Missouri mined hematites averaging above 60 per cent.

TABLE 11.—A partial classification of the iron ore mined in the census year, by phosphorus ratios, by kinds, and by states.

States.	MAGNETITE.					LIMONITE.					HEMATITE.				
	Phosphorus ratio . . .					Phosphorus ratio . . .					Phosphorus ratio . . .				
	Under .05	.05-.10	.10-.50	.50-1.00	Over 1.00	Under .05	.05-.10	.10-.50	.50-1.00	Over 1.00	Under .05	.05-.10	.10-.50	.50-1.00	Over 1.00
Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	
Alabama								57,807	24,358	28,471					
Connecticut								34,878		140					
Delaware								672	2,054						
Georgia									7,504	17,837					
Indiana															
Kentucky								17,600							
Maine						6,000									
Maryland			218					26,789	17,843	17,133					
Massachusetts								55,889	1,308	280					
Michigan		47,309	99,410					80,055	189,417		187,890	639,338	488,461	8,080	
Missouri											11,146	276,834	88,562		
New Jersey	11,087	103,754	176,763	176,200	232,548					9,871					
New York	184,649	151,307	40,557	102,824	421,881		24,805	82,556	41,552	4,131			70,586	8,534	
North Carolina	2,400	350				112									
Ohio															
Oregon										6,972					
Pennsylvania	300,213	88,935	60,598			3,200	55,936	85,953	72,098	97,355					
Tennessee							5,600	17,650	1,063	224					
Texas															
Virginia			11,292				2,800	58,020	29,024	35,840		3,360	10,080	28,000	
Vermont															
West Virginia									448						
Wisconsin															
The United States	498,349	391,706	388,847	279,024	653,929	9,402	169,196	627,760	208,078	208,403	199,042	913,532	687,700	44,614	
Total classified					2,211,855					1,223,739				1,830,287	
Total unclassified					178,534					925,678				66,031	
Total product					2,390,389					2,149,417				1,897,218	

a TABLE 11.—A partial classification of the iron ore mined in the census year, by phosphorus ratios, &c.—Continued.

States.	COAL-MEASURE AND MESOZOIC CARBONATES AND DERIVATIVES.					FOSSIL.					Total ore, classified.	Total ore, unclassified.	Total product.
	Phosphorus ratio	Under .05	.05-.10	.10-.50	.50-1.00	Over 1.00	Under .05	.05-.10	.10-.50	.50-1.00				Over 1.00
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
Alabama								41,802	83,689		185,687	5,980	191,676
Connecticut											35,018		35,018
Delaware											2,726		2,726
Georgia											25,361	66,655	91,416
Indiana												513	513
Kentucky			9,381	6,036	1,500						34,577	30,232	64,809
Maine											6,000		6,000
Maryland			73,868					1,018			136,360	3,250	139,628
Massachusetts											57,037	5,600	62,637
Michigan											1,733,986	103,726	1,837,712
Missouri											376,542	9,655	386,197
New Jersey											710,223	47,140	757,372
New York										85,442	1,233,774	28,353	1,262,127
North Carolina											2,802	450	3,252
Ohio												547,403	547,403
Oregon											6,972		6,972
Pennsylvania			12,287	15,806				14,013	54,142	41,301	901,482	1,284,193	2,185,675
Tennessee								23,166	28,294	13,732	90,638	13,827	104,465
Texas												3,600	3,600
Virginia											180,216	2,110	182,326
Vermont												560	560
West Virginia								7,000			7,448	53,768	61,216
Wisconsin											39,200	2,240	41,440
The United States			95,036	21,342	1,500			86,409	116,125	179,735			
Total classified					117,878					382,359			
Total unclassified					804,410					233,135			
Total product					922,288					615,494	5,760,118	2,203,688	7,974,806

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TABLE 11.

This table deals only with a part of the product of the country—something less than three-quarters, and with more than five-sixths of the ore from the Bessemer producing varieties—magnetite, hematite, and limonite.

In view of the tendency of the metallurgical requirements of the near future, the columns showing tonnage with a phosphorus ratio of under .05 and of over 1.00 become equally interested with the acid-Bessemer columns proper, namely, under .05 and .05 to .10.

An interesting fact is, that while the magnetites produced only about four-fifths as much Bessemer ore as the hematites, more than half of the magnetite contribution of Bessemer ore had the extremely low phosphorus ratio of under .05; and the magnetite tonnage with this low ratio was more than double that of the hematite, with a similarly low ratio.

TABLE 12.—Bessemer ore mined in the census year, by kinds and by states.

[Compare with plates XXIII and XXIV.]

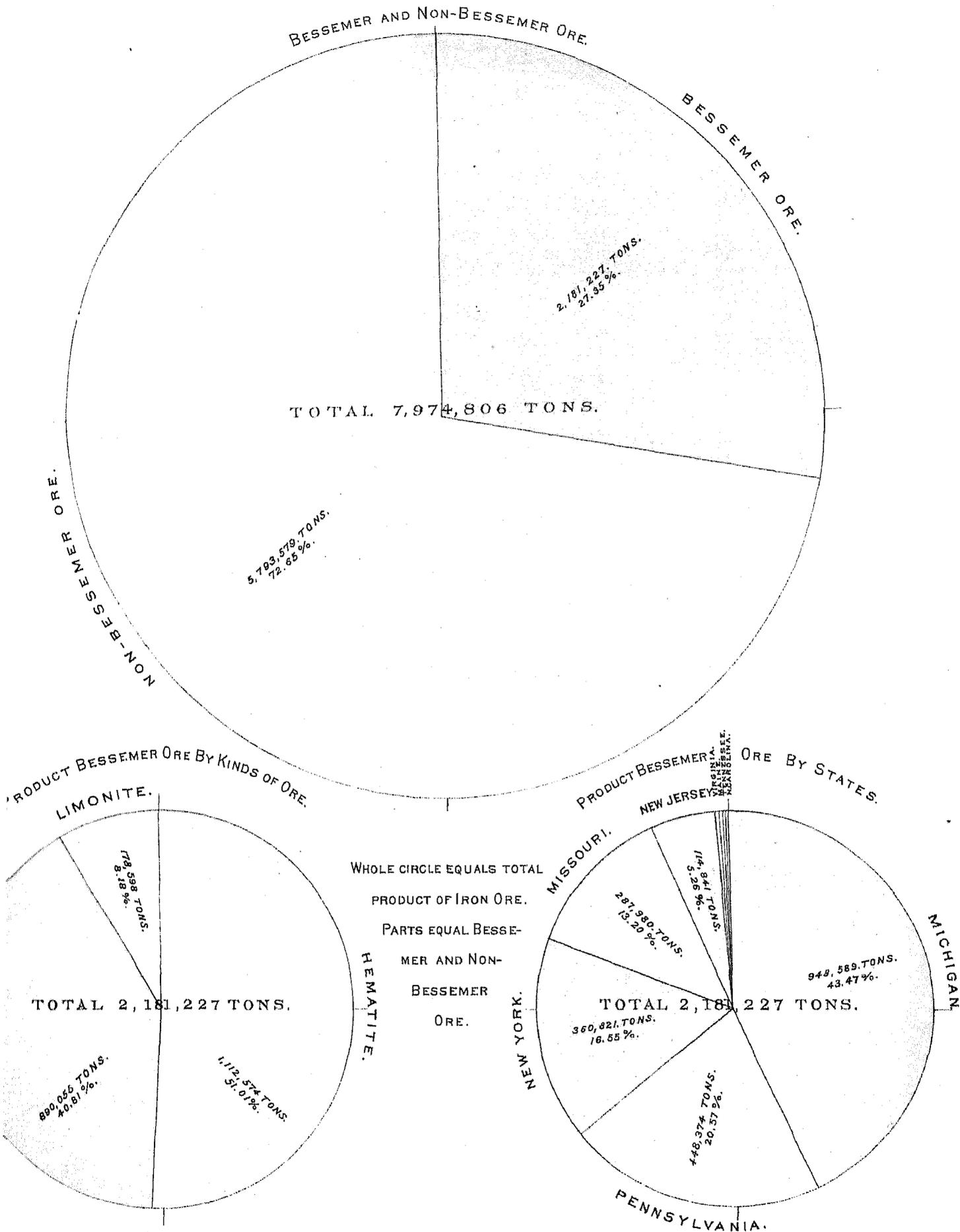
[NOTE.—In this table is included only such ore that if smelted alone would produce pig containing not more than one-tenth of one per cent. of phosphorus. It is to be noted, however, that ore with a higher phosphorus-iron ratio than 0.10 is used in mixture in the manufacture of Bessemer pig.]

States.	Magnetite.	Hematite.	Limonite.	Total.	Per cent.
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	
Maine			6,000	6,000	.28
Michigan	47,800	821,234	680,055	948,589	43.47
Missouri		287,980		287,980	13.20
New Jersey	114,841			114,841	5.26
New York	330,016		24,805	354,821	16.55
North Carolina	2,750		112	2,862	.13
Pennsylvania	380,148		650,226	1,030,374	20.56
Tennessee			5,600	5,600	.20
Virginia		3,800	2,800	6,600	.28
Total	800,055	1,112,574	178,598	2,111,227	
Per cent	40.81	51.01	8.18	100.00	100.00

a See note under table 7. (Production of ore by states and kinds.)

b In making up the total Bessemer-ore product of Missouri, it was assumed that all but 500 tons of the ore mined at Iron Mountain in the census year was sufficiently low in phosphorus to come into this class.

c This is a rough estimate only. It is probably below the truth, even for ore with a phosphorus ratio less than 0.10 per cent. As a matter of fact, the total product of the Bloomfield and Springfield mines in Blair county (107,222 tons) is reported as having been used, mixed with magnetite ore, to make Bessemer pig, while only that from the Springfield mines (53,739 tons) is shown by analysis to have a phosphorus ratio less than 0.10 per cent., and is included in this table.



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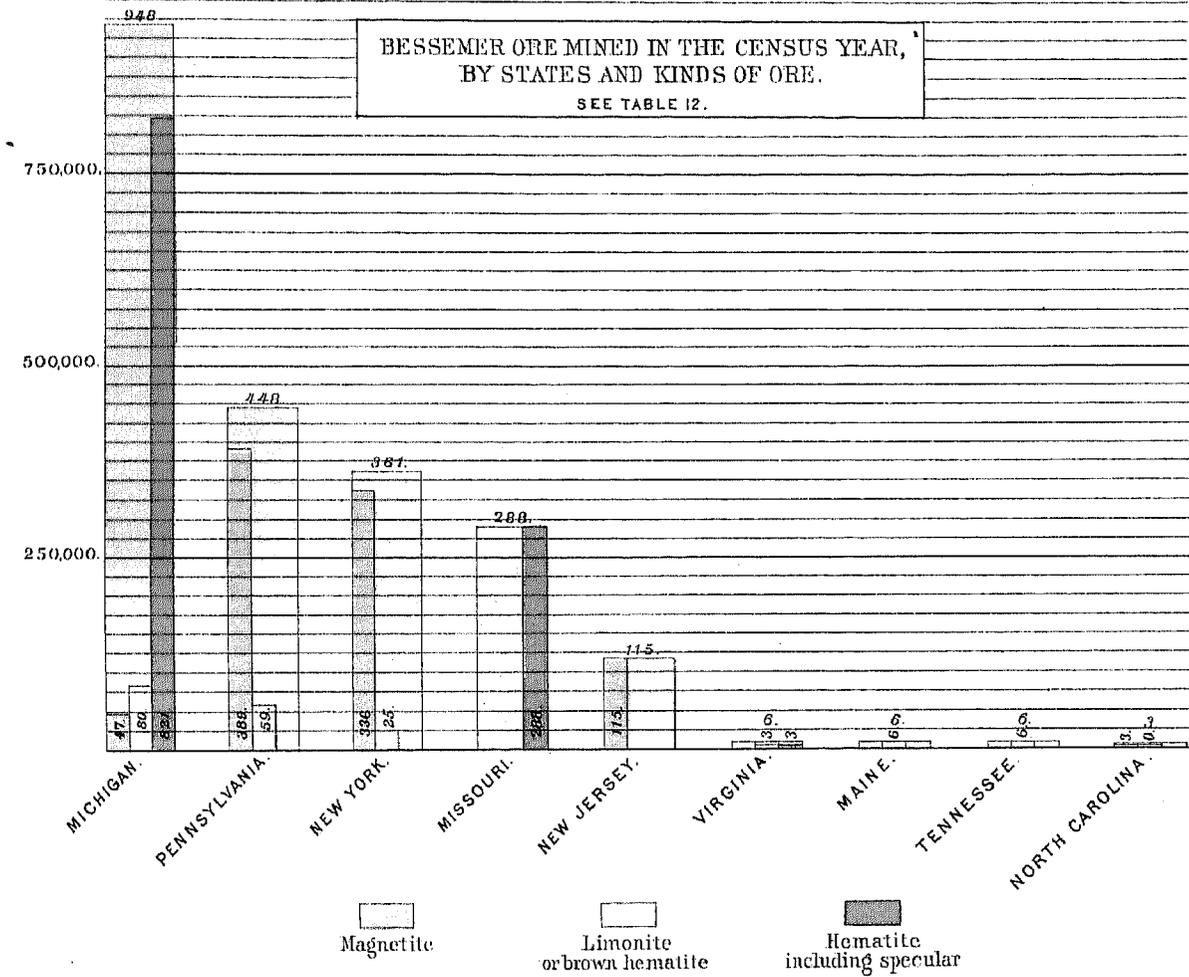
THE WHOLE CIRCLE EQUALS TOTAL PRODUCT BESSEMER ORE.
PARTS EQUAL THIS PRODUCT BY STATES.

BESSEMER ORE PRODUCT IN THE CENSUS YEAR

See Table 12

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TONS
1,000,000.



Note. The figures indicate thousands of tons. 0 is used where less than 500 tons were produced.

TABLES 11 AND 12 AND PLATES XXIII AND XXIV.

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Among the most important tabulations are the tables and plates presenting the production of Bessemer ore, or ore having a phosphorus-iron ratio not exceeding 0.10. The total Bessemer product—2,181,227 tons—formed 27.35 per cent. of the total ore product of the United States.

Nine states produced more or less, although four of these furnished each less than one-third of one per cent. of the whole.

Their order as to amount of Bessemer ore mined is shown on the table on page 19. Michigan ranks first, producing 43 per cent. of the national product, and more than twice as much as the next largest state, Pennsylvania, which furnished 20½ per cent.; while New York followed third with 16½ per cent., and Missouri fourth with 13½ per cent., and New Jersey fifth with 5½ per cent.

From table 12 and plate XXIII we see that only three of the great varieties—magnetite, hematite, and limonite—contributed ore with a sufficiently low phosphorus ratio, to be applicable without mixture to the manufacture of Bessemer steel. Of the total tonnage of 2,181,227 tons, the different varieties gave—

Ores.	Tons.	Per cent.
Magnetite	890,055	40.81
Hematite	1,112,574	51.01
Limonite	178,598	8.18
Total	2,181,227	100.00

Referring these ores to their geological sources we find that the Huronian is by far the largest contributor, the Laurentian coming next, and the Siluro-Cambrian third, a large part of the Bessemer of the latter formation being the magnetites of the Cornwall and other mines, which are assigned by Lesley to that horizon as altered limonites.

The actual geological distribution of the Bessemer product is as follows:

Ores.	Tons.	Per cent.
Laurentian	482,611	22.18
Huronian	1,242,841	56.98
Siluro-Cambrian	449,775	20.82
Cenozoic	6,000	0.27
Total	2,181,227	100.00

The southern states produced all together only 14,622 tons, or less than $\frac{67}{100}$ of 1 per cent. This may be materially changed by future development of ore-bodies in the Archæan regions of North and South Carolina and Georgia.

There were produced of ores with a phosphorus ratio of under .05—

Ores.	Tons.
Magnetite	498,340
Hematite	199,042
Limonite	9,402
Total	706,784

or nearly one-eleventh of the total ore product of the country.

Out of the 5,766,118 tons of ore designated in table 11, as "classified" by our chemical analyses, there were of ores carrying more than 1 per cent. of phosphorus—

Ores.	Tons.	Per cent. of the classified ore of this variety.
Magnetite	653,929	27.56
Hematite	15,300	0.84
Limonite	208,469	17.02
Carbonate	1,500	1.27
Fossil	179,785	47.00
Total	1,058,957	.....

We may assume, probably without appreciable error, that in the unclassified portions of magnetite, hematite, limonite, and fossil ores, the percentages of ores with a phosphorus-iron ratio greater than 1.00 will be the same as they are in the classified portions of those varieties. This assumption cannot be made, however, for the carbonates, as, for reasons elsewhere stated, no attempt was made to classify as regards phosphorus-iron ratio the greater part of the Coal Measure ores. The samples of these ores were taken to represent, not mines, but fields.

a An examination of the tables of analyses shows, however, that of the 93 samples from Ohio, 31, or one-third, gave a phosphorus-iron ratio greater than 1.00. The same fraction represents the proportion of the Alabama and Kentucky carbonate samples carrying this proportion of phosphorus.

It is believed, therefore, that we will not be far from the truth if we estimate one-third of the total carbonate product as having a phosphorus-iron ratio greater than 1.00.

We should have, then, in our unclassified ores, the following amounts of ores with a phosphorus-iron ratio greater than 1.00:

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Ores.	Tons.
Magnetite	52,775
Hematite	502
Limonite	187,550
Carbonate	305,500
Fossil	100,573
Total	625,900
Ore previously classified as above	1,058,957
Total ore having a phosphorus-iron ratio greater than 1.00.	1,684,817

Although not strictly belonging in this place, I have added a table showing the maximum, minimum, and average royalty paid in each state for the privilege of mining each kind of ore. Royalty was paid on more than one-quarter of the product of the United States, the average being 43.7 cents per ton of 2,000 pounds.

Mr. I. Lowthian Bell (*a*) states that the usual royalty paid in England to the landowners for hematite and calcined blackband is about 2s. 6d., or 62½ cents per ton of 2,240 pounds, though in some instances much more is paid. In the Cleveland district, where the ore is leaner and the amount of ore is practically inexhaustible, it is rated (1884) at 9 per cent. of the selling price of Cleveland pig-iron. Mr. Bell summarizes roughly the royalties for ore and coal, calculated for the ton of pig-iron, in the great European producing centers, (*b*) viz: Cleveland, 81 cents; Scotland, \$1 50; Cumberland, \$1 56; Germany, 12 cents; France, 16 cents; Belgium, 15 to 50 cents.

TABLE 13.—Royalties by kinds of ore and by states.

State.	Kind of ore.	Number of tons paying royalty.	Maximum royalty.	Minimum royalty.	Average royalty.	Total royalty paid.
Alabama.....	Limonite	24,358	\$0.22	\$0.088	\$0.149	\$3,641 09
Do.....	Fossil	24,252	0.088	0.088	0.088	2,134 17
Connecticut.....	Limonite	28,677	1.78	1.78	1.78	42,145 06
Kentucky.....	do.....	8,605	0.176	0.176	0.175	1,514 48
Do.....	Carbonate	9,381	0.22	0.22	0.210	2,063 82
Maryland.....	Limonite	9,206	0.68	0.223	0.416	3,886 17
Do.....	Carbonate	2,240	0.67	0.67	0.67	1,500 80
Massachusetts.....	Limonite	3,845	0.33	0.22	0.267	1,027 18
Michigan.....	do.....	181,165	0.76	0.36	0.445	81,751 76
Do.....	Soft specular	78,893	0.54	0.33	0.446	39,006 77
Do.....	Specular	109,792	0.45	0.31	0.301	42,838 72
Do.....	Specular and magnetite.....	27,401	0.67	0.45	0.530	14,548 05
Missouri.....	Hematite	500	0.44	0.44	0.440	222 64
Do.....	Specular	140,091	0.89	0.13	0.463	64,921 43
New Jersey.....	Magnetite	350,674	0.89	0.22	0.546	191,506 05
Do.....	Limonite	14,271	0.49	0.22	0.433	6,185 13
New York.....	do.....	43,502	0.89	0.26	0.605	28,655 09
Do.....	Fossil	45,702	0.27	0.18	0.228	10,455 52
Do.....	Magnetite	93,251	0.89	0.13	0.347	32,414 96
Do.....	Hematite	8,060	0.22	0.22	0.22	1,971 20
Ohio.....	Carbonate	50,269	0.22	0.089	0.179	9,003 72
Pennsylvania.....	Limonite	646,261	1.08	0.15	0.454	293,623 41
Do.....	Fossil	102,001	0.49	0.089	0.264	27,024 31
Do.....	Carbonate	12,287	0.13	0.13	0.13	1,597 31
Do.....	Magnetite	210,828	0.89	0.22	0.470	99,110 42
Do.....	Specular	1,486	0.55	0.45	0.478	710 90
Tennessee.....	Limonite	7,942	0.22	0.089	0.127	1,013 64
Do.....	Fossil	40,721	0.26	0.20	0.234	9,554 94
Virginia.....	Limonite	37,520	0.22	0.09	0.216	8,123 36
Do.....	Magnetite	84	0.09	0.09	0.09	7 56
Do.....	Specular	13,440	0.29	0.22	0.237	3,192 10
West Virginia.....	Limonite	3,025	0.18	0.089	0.173	524 02
Do.....	Carbonate	18,793	0.04	0.04	0.04	551 92
Total.....	.....	2,334,524	.....	.....	.....	1,020,429 10

Equivalent to an average royalty of 43.7 cents per ton of 2,000 pounds, or 48.9 cents per ton of 2,240 pounds.

For comparison, I append some statistics since the census year, and also those for Lake Superior, Michigan, **a** from the beginning of the development of that district:

Iron ore consumed in the United States.

Year.	Domestic, tons of 2,000 pounds.	Imported, tons of 2,000 pounds.
1882.....	9,744,000	<i>a</i> 690,412
1883.....		<i>b</i> 549,780
1884.....	8,550,330	<i>b</i> 545,358
1885.....		<i>c</i> 470,974

a J. M. Swank, in A. W. Williams' *Mineral Resources of the United States*, 1883, p. 115.
b *Annual Report American Iron and Steel Association for 1884*, p. 40.
c *Bulletin American Iron and Steel Association*, January, 1886.

The world's production of iron ore. (d)

Countries.	Year.	Tons of 2,000 pounds.
Great Britain.....	1882	18,022,240
United States.....	1882	10,080,000
Germany.....	1882	8,081,478
France.....	1882	3,857,000
Belgium.....	1882	275,500
Austria and Hungary.....	1881	1,157,100
Russia.....	1880	1,128,310
Sweden.....	1881	910,532
Spain.....	1882	5,510,000
Italy.....	1882	385,700
Other countries.....	1882	1,102,000
Total.....		52,000,800

d Swank, in *Mineral Resources of the United States*, p. 100.

Mr. I. Lowthian Bell (*a*) gives as below the output of the five greatest iron-ore producing countries for 1870, 1875, 1881, to which I add from J. M. Swank (*b*) some returns for 1882, 1883, 1884:

Countries.	1870.	1875.	1881.	1882.	1883.	1884.
	<i>Tons.</i>	<i>Tons.</i>	<i>Tons.</i>	<i>Tons.</i>	<i>Tons.</i>	<i>Tons.</i>
United Kingdom.....	14,370,000	15,821,000	17,440,000	18,022,240	19,409,011	18,480,000
United States.....	3,210,000	4,500,000	7,974,000	9,744,000	.....	8,550,330
Germany.....	3,839,000	4,730,000	7,573,000	9,128,181	9,807,411	.....
France.....	2,899,000	2,510,000	3,500,000	3,920,000	.....	.....
Belgium.....	654,000	365,000	200,000	280,000	.....	.....
Spain.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,060,482	.....

Production of Lake Superior mines. (a)

Calendar year—	Tons of 2,000 pounds.
1880.....	2,226,109
1881.....	2,500,872
1882.....	3,301,070
1883.....	2,034,562
1884.....	2,820,212
1885.....	2,718,729

a Including northern Wisconsin and Minnesota.

The total output of the Lake Superior mines from their opening in 1854 to the end of 1885 was 28,445,813 tons.

a *Principles of the Manufacture of Iron and Steel*, 1884, p. 451.

b *Annual Report American Iron and Steel Association*, 1884.

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Production of New Jersey mines.

Calendar year--	Tons of 2,000-pounds.
1880.....	834,400
1881.....	825,497
1882.....	944,693
1883.....	583,985
1884.....	440,955
1885.....	339,600

b

Production of the most important districts (chiefly magnetites and hematites).

District.	1883.	1884.
	<i>Tons.</i>	<i>Tons.</i>
Lake Superior	2,634,662	2,750,634
Vermilion lake, Minnesota.....	Not opened.	69,578
Missouri	330,881	261,212
Cornwall, Pennsylvania	443,034	461,798
Chateaugay, Lake Champlain.....	218,008	240,121
Other Lake Champlain mines.....	372,406	325,360
New Jersey.....	583,985	440,955

c

Mr. Swank's table just quoted shows the world's output of ore to have been in 1882 over 52,000,000 tons. This is roughly six and one-half times as much as the 805 mines of the United States produced in the census year. The ability of the ore deposits of the world to meet this immense demand will undoubtedly be one of the great questions of the near future. But vast as this amount of ore appears to be, it is small compared with that which will be required to meet the demands of the future if the rate of increase continues which has ruled in the past. China, Siberia, southern Asia, South America, the great islands of the world, and Africa will each go to swell the demands for construction, and multiply the already enormous requirement for maintenance.

d We have not the data for directly determining the rate of growth of the iron-ore production at home or for the world; but it is probable that if we had the data with which to construct the curve of ore production for the world, we should find that it would follow very closely the curve of pig-iron production.

On the accompanying diagram (Fig. 7a) Mr. Putnam has platted —

I. The production of pig-iron in the United States between 1854 and 1885.

II. The production of pig iron in Great Britain between 1856 and 1885.

III. The output of the Lake Superior mines between 1856 and 1885.

IV. The output of the New Jersey mines between 1867 and 1885.

The following table by Mr. Jeans, and here copied from Mr. Bell's *Principles of Iron and Steel Manufacture*, gives the consumption per head throughout the world:

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Iron-producing countries.	Population.	Iron all kinds, tons consumed.	Pounds per head consumed.
United Kingdom	35,968,000	4,618,932	267.53
United States.....	50,152,866	6,065,919	270.92
France.....	37,672,048	2,568,706	140.16
Germany	45,194,177	2,488,957	123.36
Belgium	5,519,844	587,000	238.20
Russia	88,000,000	905,000	24.50
Austrian territories	37,741,434	625,000	37.60
Sweden and Norway	6,301,098	220,000	77.07
Total	306,639,467	18,079,514	132.07
Other countries of Europe, none of which can be regarded as iron-producing.	91,694,283	978,449	23.90
Total for Europe and the United States..	398,333,750	19,057,963	107.16
British Possessions, exclusive of India.....	11,465,079	621,483	121.40
Total	409,798,829	19,679,446	107.57
British Possessions in India	446,750,006	481,051	2.40
Egypt	5,517,000	18,614	7.55
South America and islands	45,440,357	274,353	13.50
Asia, exclusive of British Possessions.....	517,161,778	113,382	.49
Total	1,424,686,570	20,567,746	32.33

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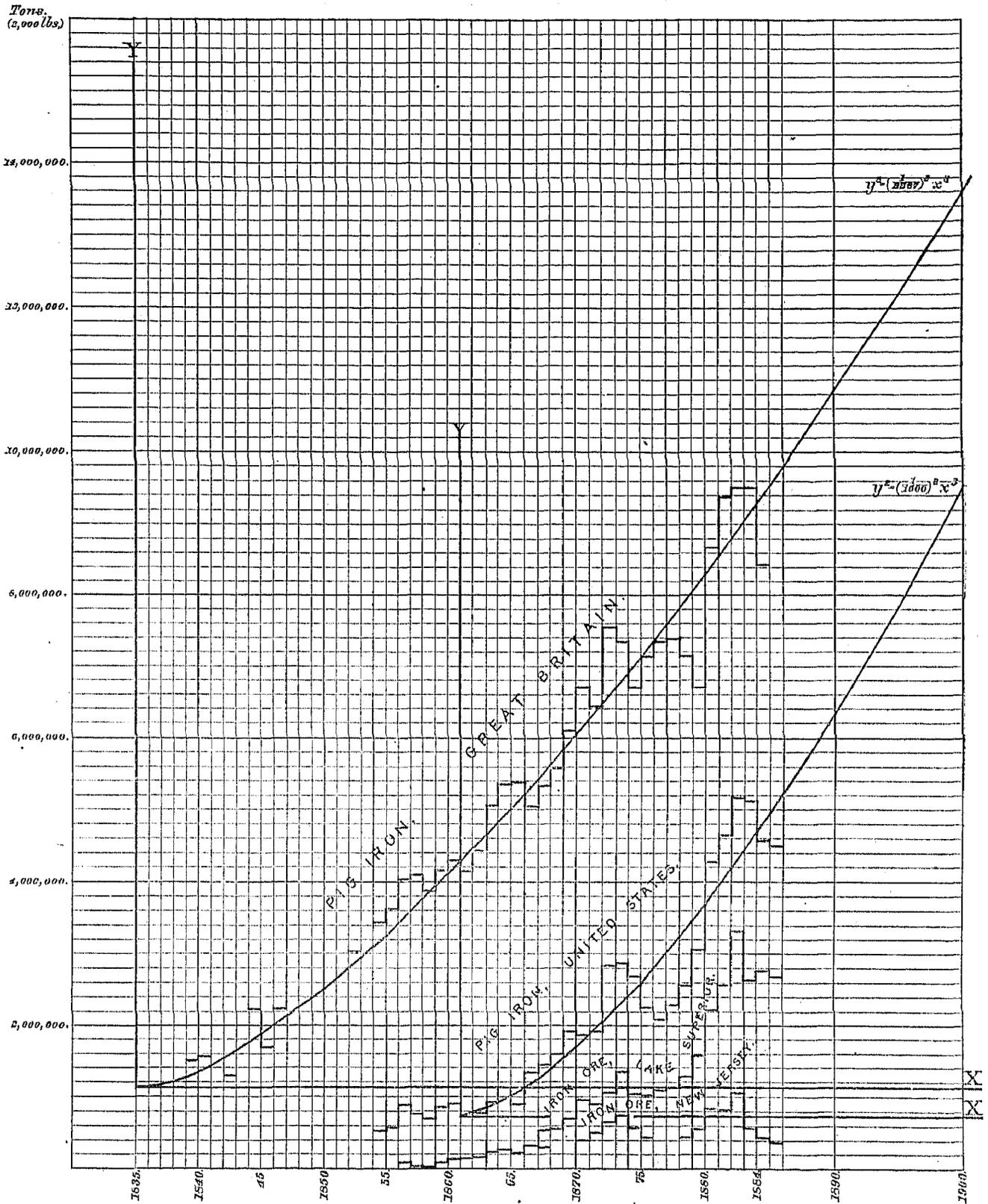


FIG. 7a.

The curves on the diagram which show the average increase in the production of pig-iron in Great Britain and in the United States are of such forms that, in the case of Great Britain, for instance, the area bounded by the curve, the axis of abscissas, and the ordinate at any year, indicates very closely (a) the total production of iron from 1835 to that year; and in the case of the United States a similarly bounded area indicates the total production of iron from 1861 to the given year. The rate of increase of production in the United States since 1861 has been a little greater than that in Great Britain since 1835. As will be seen, the two curves, although of the same general form of equation ($y^2 = a^2 x^3$), have different values assigned to their constants, so that the curves are not precisely parallel. In 1866 the United States had reached the production of Great Britain in 1835, that is to say, she was then thirty-one years behind the latter country. At the end of 1884 she was but twenty-one years behind England. And at the same rate of increase for both countries, the United States will be but fifteen years behind England in 1900, and will reach and pass her in 1950, the production of pig-iron in each country for that year, as determined from the equation of their respective curves, being a little over 30,000,000 tons. [B. T. P.]

a Or, to be more precise, the area representing the production of pig-iron in Great Britain for the decade 1860-69 differs from that bounded by the base, the ordinate at the beginning of 1860, the ordinate at the end of 1869, and the curve (i. e., the actual tonnage for this period differs from the computed tonnage) by thirty-three hundredths of 1 per cent., the actual tonnage area being the larger. The area representing the production for the decade 1870-79 differs from that bounded by the base, the ordinate at the beginning of 1870, the ordinate at the end of 1879 and the curve (i. e., the actual tonnage for this period differs from the computed tonnage) by twenty-six hundredths of 1 per cent., the actual tonnage area being the smaller. The computed tonnage for the above two periods combined (i. e., from 1860 to 1879, both years inclusive) is less than five thousandths of 1 per cent. larger than the actual tonnage. [B. T. P.]

In 1881 our consumption per head was, according to Mr. Jeans, 270.9 pounds, while that of Great Britain was **a** 287.5 pounds, and that of Europe and the United States together 107 pounds, and of the world at large about 32 pounds. Therefore, we have not yet reached the rate of consumption that obtains in Great Britain.

The increase of population, the disappearance of forests, and the constantly widening range of application of iron on both a large and a small scale, would, if continued as in the past, largely increase its use per head in the coming century. All this would imply a corresponding drain on the mines of our country, which it is doubtful that they could respond to. When we consider the comparative shallowness of the fossil-ore deposits and the lack of continuity of the limonite bodies, it seems doubtful whether they would not be exhausted within a half century, leaving the main reliance upon the high and low-grade ores of the Archæan areas, and on the thin beds of Carboniferous ores. **b**

If the production of pig-iron in the United States continues to increase at the same rate that it did from 1861 to 1885, there will be produced from 1885 to 1900, as is shown by Mr. Putnam's curve, (a) a total of 87,250,000 tons, equal to 185,800,000 tons of ore carrying 45 per cent. of iron. This is equivalent to a bed 1 yard thick and covering an area of $17\frac{2}{3}$ square miles.

The total predicted between 1885 and 1950—nearly 1,060,000,000 tons—is equivalent to 3,180,000,000 tons of ore carrying $33\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. of iron. This amount would cover to a depth of 1 yard an area of $342\frac{2}{3}$ square miles; or it would form a deposit 3 feet thick extending 900 feet in depth and $2,007\frac{4}{5}$ miles in length.

The more immediate result will be, as before stated, the rapid exhaustion of the known deposits of rich ores and the more extensive mining of those of lower grades.

To bring Asia and South America up to the same consumption per head as Russia, or say 25 pounds, would **c** require an increase in the world's product of about 30,000,000 tons of 40 per cent. ore.

But if no unforeseen cause should intervene, the coming century will see the habitable lands of the whole globe divided among and occupied by rapidly-increasing populations of European and of Chinese descent. Should there be nothing substituted for iron, it is difficult to see how they could do with a smaller consumption per head than that of Europe and the United States, or say 100 pounds, and it would require probably more than 100,000,000 tons of ore annually to supply the demand before the end of this century.

If we may assume that the curve of the world's production from 1885 to 1950 will approximate in shape that of Great Britain, and that this will continue to be of the same form as it was from 1835 to 1885, (b) then taking the world's output of ore in 1882 at 52,000,000 tons, or $2\frac{2}{3}$ times that of Great Britain, there would be required for the period from 1885 to 1900 a total of over 1,454,000,000 tons. This would cover 1 yard deep an area of $156\frac{3}{5}$ square **d** miles; or occupy a deposit 1 yard thick, 900 feet deep, and $917\frac{3}{5}$ miles long.

For the period from 1885 to 1950 there would be required, under like assumptions, the enormous amount of nearly 10,635,000,000 tons, equal to a bed 1 yard thick covering $1,144\frac{4}{5}$ square miles; or to a deposit 1 yard thick, 900 feet deep, and 6,714 miles long.

There can be little doubt that the invention of new kinds of steel will tend to largely increase the efficiency and durability of the metal, and so diminish the amount used up in maintenance.

There can also be little doubt that aluminum will become an available metal, and that this and other light materials will be used for many purposes for which only iron and steel are now employed. But it may well be doubted whether this saving will not be compensated by a more extended application of iron in other directions.

a The ordinates for every fifth year were computed by the formula: $Y^2 = (\frac{1}{10} \frac{1}{10})^2 X^3$; in which $Y=1=2,000,000$ net tons, and $X=0.9=$ ten years. To the value of Y (expressed in tons) was added in every case 731,544 tons, being the production of pig-iron in 1861. The area of each five-year period was then computed on the assumption that the curve between consecutive five-year ordinates does not differ sensibly from a straight line.

b $Y^2 = (\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{10})^2 X^3$. The total production for Great Britain and the world was computed by means of this formula in a manner similar to that above described for computing the total production of the United States.

THE CENTER OF TOTAL PRODUCTION OF IRON ORE IN THE UNITED STATES IN THE CENSUS YEAR.

BY BAYARD T. PUTNAM.

The center of total production of iron ore in the United States, using the expression as defined for the center of population, in the *Statistical Atlas of the United States* (1874), and in the volume on the *Population of the United States* (1880), is the point at which equilibrium would be reached were the country taken as a plain surface, itself without weight, but capable of sustaining weight, and loaded with the iron ore produced during the period under consideration at the points where it was mined, each ton exerting pressure on the pivotal point directly proportioned to its distance therefrom.

The center of production of iron ore in the United States in the census year is found to be at latitude $41^{\circ} 48\frac{1}{2}'$ north, longitude $80^{\circ} 14\frac{3}{4}'$ west from Greenwich. This point is in Cussewago township, Crawford county, Pennsylvania, about 12 miles north, $23\frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$ west from Meadville, and midway between Potter's Corner post-office and Crossingville post-office.

In determining this center the production of iron ore in each county was assumed to be concentrated at the geographical center of the county, excepting in cases where such an assumption was manifestly erroneous. (a) The geographical center of a county was considered as being coincident with the center of gravity of a plane of uniform weight, of the exact shape of the county. It was obtained practically by cutting out carefully the county from a map (scale 50 miles to the inch), and ascertaining the center of gravity of the piece by suspending it successively at three points and finding the intersection of the vertical lines through the points of suspension. The geographical centers of the counties thus obtained were platted on a map. These several centers of ore-production were then grouped graphically, in accordance with the mechanical principle that the sum of two forces, acting at a point between them, and distant from either inversely as the force, exerts the same pressure on the pivotal point as the two forces acting separately. The resultant of the two counties was combined with a third county, and so on, until the resultant of the whole state, or in other words, the center of production of the state, was obtained. The latitudes and longitudes of the several state centers were then determined by measurement, and the moment of each state, with reference to an assumed meridian and parallel as axes calculated in the ordinary manner, *i. e.*, by multiplying its output in tons by the difference in latitude (expressed in minutes) between its center and the assumed parallel for the north or south moment; and by the difference in longitude (measured on the nearest half-degree-parallel and expressed in yards) between its center and the assumed meridian for the east or west moments. The difference between the sums of the east and west moments divided by the total product of ore in the United States gave a correction for the position of the assumed meridian, that is for the longitude of the center; and a correction for the latitude of the center was similarly determined.

The method of combining the counties as above explained will give necessarily a result for the position of the center differing somewhat from that obtained by calculating the moment of each county, as in the latter case the distance from the pivotal point, *i. e.*, the length of the lever by which the force exerts the pressure, is measured on the parallel and meridian, while it is not so measured in the graphic method. But the difference is very slight, especially within the area of any one state. The position of the center of the total production of the whole United States, as obtained by the use of the graphic method throughout, was latitude $41^{\circ} 52'$ north, longitude $80^{\circ} 10'$ west, which differs from that obtained by calculation of the movements of the several state centers by less than $4'$ in latitude and about the same amount in longitude. It is scarcely necessary to say that of the two methods the graphic is very much less laborious.

^a For instance, only one mine in each of the states of Maine and Oregon produced ore in the census year; the center of production of these states was therefore taken as at these mines. Again, all the mines in Saint Lawrence county, New York, are in the southern part of the county, near Gouverneur, and that town was consequently taken as the center of production of the county, etc.

a The "center", as above defined, is the one used in all the census reports thus far published. It is not the only point, however, which might be taken as satisfying the expression, *the center of total production*, and it moreover has a disadvantage in giving undue importance to a ton of product, simply because the latter is at a relatively great distance from the center. The 7,000 tons of ore mined in Oregon have as much influence in determining the longitude of the center of total production as 70,000 tons mined in Preston county, West Virginia.

Another "center" of total production might, for the purpose of indicating the average movement of the industry during a given period, be defined as being at the intersection of a meridian and parallel, the former dividing the east and west production equally, the latter dividing the north and south production equally. Such a center of the production of iron ore in the census year is in about latitude $40^{\circ} 51'$ north, longitude $77^{\circ} 40'$ west. This point is in the east central part of Centre county, Pennsylvania.

Both of the above points are indicated on the map of the United States, Plate XIV.

STATISTICS
OF THE
PRODUCTION OF IRON ORE IN THE CENSUS YEAR.

TABLE 14.—Statistics of the production of iron ore, by states and counties.

[GENERAL REMARKS.—With the exceptions of columns 5 and 6, in which the regular and irregular product are combined, all the questions in columns 1 to 40, both full year's production at the rate of the monthly production during the census year. *Capital in real estate* refers to mineral right only. *Working capital*, when the original figures have been replaced by estimates. *Furnaces*: Great care has been taken to avoid duplication of the products of regular mines in entering ores to their true sources as far as possible. Further explanations will be found under each state. The full title of Mr. Swank's report, referred to in the

ALABAMA.

Counties.	Number of establishments.	Maximum capacity of yearly production.	Product of establishments, census year.	Value of product of establishments.	Total product, census year, i. e., product of establishments and irregular product together.	Value of total product.	EMPLOYÉS.				
							Men employed ground.	Boys employed ground.	Men employed above ground.	Boys employed above ground.	Total number of employes.
							7	8	9	10	11
The State.....	17	Tons. 310,100	Tons. 184,110	\$189,108	Tons. 191,070	\$201,865	109	6	500	33	738
1 Bibb.....	1	28,350	5,670	6,250	5,670	6,250	.....	.....	24	2	26
2 Calhoun.....	2	25,574	24,474	20,812	27,842	32,120	.....	.....	52	6	58
3 Cherokee.....	4	40,048	32,006	32,500	32,006	32,500	.....	.....	122	1	123
4 De Kalb.....	1	2,721	227	250	227	250	.....	.....	10	.....	10
5 Etowah.....	2	21,340	21,004	22,152	21,004	22,152	20	1	24	1	46
6 Jefferson.....	3	72,200	45,075	40,461	45,075	40,461	71	3	155	.....	229
7 Shelby.....	1	20,000	25,787	25,787	25,787	25,787	.....	.....	40	15	55
8 Saint Clair.....	1	34,120	12,685	16,770	12,685	16,770	18	2	80	8	108
9 Talladega.....	1	13,608	1,140	1,005	5,338	8,445	.....	.....	50	.....	50
10 Tuscaloosa.....	1	30,288	14,162	8,112	14,152	8,112	.....	.....	33	.....	33

CONNECTICUT.

The State.....	4	45,800	35,018	\$147,709	35,018	\$147,770	20	.....	179	1	200
1 Litchfield.....	4	45,800	35,018	147,799	35,018	147,799	20	.....	179	1	200

DELAWARE.

The State.....	2	18,380	2,726	\$6,553	2,726	\$6,553	.....	.....	36	11	47
1 New Castle.....	2	18,380	2,726	6,553	2,726	6,553	.....	.....	36	11	47

GEORGIA.

The State.....	7	101,157	72,705	\$120,602	91,416	\$143,022	50	.....	287	5	342
1 Bartow.....	4	20,520	10,023	24,503	11,353	27,702	.....	.....	87	5	92
2 Dade.....	1	44,225	44,225	77,303	47,206	82,123	50	.....	150	.....	200
3 Polk.....	2	27,412	17,357	18,737	32,157	33,737	.....	.....	50	.....	50

KENTUCKY.

The State.....	5	105,420	33,522	\$88,930	64,809	\$165,005	45	.....	255	25	325
1 Bath.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	550	1,375	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
2 Boyd.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,271	8,556	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
3 Carter.....	1	5,670	2,405	6,000	14,749	39,258	.....	.....	25	.....	25
4 Estill.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,500	3,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
5 Greenup.....	2	26,000	13,017	42,955	14,058	43,479	.....	.....	162	25	187
6 Lyon.....	1	50,700	8,505	16,875	8,505	16,875	20	.....	42	.....	62
7 Powell.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,500	3,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
8 Trigg.....	1	17,050	8,605	22,100	8,005	22,500	25	.....	26	.....	51
9 Boyd and Greenup.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11,435	25,070	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
10 Name of county not given.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	636	2,192	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

INDIANA.

The State.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	513	\$1,018	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 Martin.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	513	1,018	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

TABLE 14.—Statistics of the production of iron ore, by states and counties—Continued.

ALABAMA.

Value of all machinery.	Value of buildings.	IRREGULAR PRODUCTION.						Remarks.	
		Mined by furnaces.				Bought by furnaces.			
		Product, census year.	Value of product.	Value of tools and machinery.	Estimated value of labor in producing and bringing to furnace.	From small mines within the county, census year.	Amount paid for this ore.		
39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46		
\$17,765	\$6,050	Tons.				Tons.	\$12,767	<p><i>Capital in real estate</i>, when not returned, has been estimated equal to the royalty on six full years' production at the rate of the monthly production during the census year.</p> <p><i>Wages</i> are probably "net," as most of the mines are open-cut and wages are generally low.</p> <p><i>Materials</i> include powder, lumber, fuel, and feed for oxen, horses, and mules. Feed for oxen has been estimated at \$1 per month, feed for horses at \$6 per month, and feed for mules at \$6 per month. To total materials may be added \$1,302 for half-feed of horses and mules during idle time of mines temporarily suspending operations during the census year.</p> <p><i>Furnaces</i>: The following data, referring to mines operated in connection with furnaces, are probably duplicated by Mr. Swank's returns: Number of mines, 5. Product, 76,534 tons; value, \$72,678. Employés, 213; wages, \$39,335. Real estate, \$257,000; plant, \$17,475; working capital, \$5,800; total capital, \$289,275.</p>	
750	1,200					3,308	5,317		1
2,950	1,000								2
									3
									4
									5
5,000	3,000								6
5,505	400								7
	450								8
3,500						4,108	7,440		10

CONNECTICUT.

\$22,225									
22,225									1

DELAWARE.

\$4,400	\$150								
4,400	150								1

GEORGIA.

\$1,250	\$10,800					18,711	\$22,930	<p><i>Capital in real estate</i>, when not returned, has been estimated as equal to the royalty on six full years' production at the rate of the monthly production in the census year.</p> <p><i>Materials</i> include powder, fuel, lumber, and feed, the latter estimated at \$5 per head per working month. To the total materials for the state may be added \$615 for half-feed for horses and mules during idle time of mines temporarily suspending operations during the census year.</p> <p><i>Furnaces</i>: The following returns of mines operated in connection with furnaces are probably duplicated by Mr. Swank's returns: Number of mines, 3. Product, 21,441 tons; value, \$20,037. Employés, 104; wages, \$10,160. Real estate, \$11,400; plant, \$5,150; working capital, \$5,000; total capital, \$21,550.</p>	
						730	3,200		1
1,000	15,000					2,081	4,730		2
250	1,800					15,000	15,000		3

KENTUCKY.

		4,940	\$10,155		\$6,000	26,347	\$69,820	<p><i>Wages</i> represent net wages.</p> <p><i>Materials</i> include powder, lumber, fuel, etc., and feed, estimated at \$6 per head per month. Feed has been added to the original returns. To total materials may be added \$1,092 for half-feed of horses and mules during idle time of mines temporarily suspending operations during census year.</p> <p><i>Capital in real estate</i>, when not returned, has been estimated as equal to the royalty on six full years' production at the rate of the monthly production in the census year.</p> <p><i>Furnaces</i>: Among the returns from mines, the following from those operated by and in connection with furnaces are probably duplicated by Mr. Swank's report: Number of mines, 6. Product, 69,081 tons; value, \$85,840. Employés, 307; wages, \$61,296. Real estate, \$541,000; plant, \$80,950; working capital, \$57,400; total capital, \$679,350.</p> <p><i>Number of mines</i>: The 3,595 tons reported from one mine in Lyon county came from forty openings, each of which might be, inappropriately, called a mine.</p>	
		550	1,375						1
		1,390	2,780			1,881	5,776		2
						12,254	32,658		3
		1,500	3,000		3,000				4
						141	524		5
		1,500	3,000		3,000				6
						11,435	25,670		7
						696	2,102		8
									10

INDIANA.

						513	\$1,018		
						513	1,018		1

TABLE 14.—Statistics of the production of iron ore, by states and counties—Continued.

MAINE.

Counties.	Number of establishments.	Maximum yearly capacity of production.	Product of establishments, census year.	Value of product of establishments.	Total product, census year, i. e., product of establishments and irregular product together.	Value of total product.	EMPLOYÉS.				
							Men employed below ground.	Boys employed below ground.	Men employed above ground.	Boys employed above ground.	Total number of employes.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
The State.....	1	Tons. 12,000	Tons. 6,000	\$0,000	Tons. 6,000	\$9,000			20		20
1 Piscataquis.....	1	12,000	6,000	0,000	6,000	9,000			20		20

MARYLAND.

The State.....	13	145,200	57,940	\$118,050	139,028	\$421,601	12		295	22	329
1 Anne Arundel.....	1	10,000	2,472	8,000	6,184	22,487			25	5	30
2 Alleghany.....	1	50,400	3,253	7,200	4,512	11,788	8		1		9
3 Baltimore.....	7	33,376	25,536	51,032	63,842	196,647	4		127	15	140
4 Carroll.....	3	20,100	8,836	11,020	17,352	45,584			52		52
5 Cecil.....					2,016	8,004					
6 Frederick.....	1	91,300	17,843	39,820	18,100	40,506			90	2	92
7 Harford.....					277	845					
8 Howard.....					14,075	53,737					
9 Montgomery.....					25	100					
10 Prince George.....					12,010	41,483					
11 Washington.....					500	500					

MASSACHUSETTS.

The State.....	9	87,300	62,637	\$226,130	62,637	\$226,130	224		134	24	382
1 Berkshire.....	9	87,300	62,637	226,130	62,637	226,130	224		134	24	382

MICHIGAN.

The State.....	43	2,223,365	1,837,712	\$6,034,048	1,837,712	\$6,034,048	3,120	17	2,220	190	5,562
1 Marquette.....	31	1,589,959	1,346,365	4,675,430	1,346,365	4,675,430	2,364	16	1,480	120	4,016
2 Menominee.....	12	633,406	491,347	1,359,218	491,347	1,359,218	726	1	740	70	1,546

TABLE 14.—Statistics of the production of iron ore, by states and counties—Continued.

MAINE.

EMPLOYÉS.			Total wages paid.	CAPITAL.				Number of mining company's stores.	Value of all materials used.	Number of horses.	Value of horses.	Number of mules.	Value of mules.
Number of miners.	Number of laborers.	Number of administrative force.		Value of real estate.	Value of plant.	Amount used as working capital.	Total capital employed and invested.						
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
12	8	.....	\$0,000	\$2,500	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$6,500	.....	\$3,150	10	\$1,600	.....	.....
12	8	.....	0,000	2,500	2,000	2,000	6,500	.....	3,150	10	1,600	.....	.....

MARYLAND.

110	102	18	\$61,138	\$310,600	\$135,404	\$44,450	\$490,514	2	\$23,720	37	\$5,600	45	\$6,100
.....	20	1	3,000	1,100	500	1,200	2,800	.....	600	.....	.....	.....	.....
4	4	1	974	50,005	20,000	5,000	75,000	.....	300	3	450	2	250
12	124	10	40,000	142,500	29,004	12,750	185,214	1	10,652	30	4,050	20	3,750
28	21	8	8,188	17,000	5,000	5,500	27,500	2,174	4	500
75	14	8	8,070	100,000	80,000	20,000	200,000	1	4,000	14	2,100
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MASSACHUSETTS.

210	156	10	\$117,158	\$183,000	\$70,600	\$22,400	\$276,000	\$43,136	50	\$6,575	2	\$200
210	156	10	117,158	183,000	70,600	22,400	276,000	.....	43,136	50	6,575	2	200

MICHIGAN.

3,103	2,180	210	\$2,573,857	\$12,452,311	\$2,786,044	\$2,254,520	\$17,496,775	14	\$639,711	300	\$64,350	37	\$1,070
2,422	1,476	118	2,040,250	6,801,311	2,091,150	1,874,600	10,857,070	6	623,312	270	50,375	22	3,350
741	713	92	533,508	5,651,000	693,785	379,920	6,639,705	8	310,399	120	13,975	15	1,320

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TABLE 14.—Statistics of the production of iron ore, by states and counties—Continued.

MAINE.

Counties.	STEAM-POWER.						Amount of wood used for fuel.	Value of cord-wood.	Amount of unsawed lumber (other than for fuel).	Value of unsawed lumber.	Amount of sawed lumber.	Value of sawed lumber.	Cost of explosives.
	Number of steam-engines.	Value of steam-engines.	Horse-power of steam-engines.	Number of boilers.	Value of boilers.	Horse-power of boilers.							
	26	27	28	29	30	31							
The State.....							<i>Cords.</i>	<i>Lin. feet.</i>		<i>Ft. B. M.</i>			\$2,000
1 Piscataquis.....													2,000

MARYLAND.

The State.....	11	\$0,600	268	11	\$7,200	203	910	\$2,000					\$789
1 Anne Arundel.....													
2 Alleghany.....													38
3 Baltimore.....	8	5,400	173	8	5,400	173							1
4 Carroll.....	1	700	30	1	800	30							30
5 Cecil.....													
6 Frederick.....	2	3,500	60	2	1,000	60	910	2,000					720
7 Harford.....													
8 Howard.....													
9 Montgomery.....													
10 Prince George.....													
11 Washington.....													

MASSACHUSETTS.

The State.....	8	\$0,600	220	10	\$13,450	455			33,628	\$2,354	25,000	\$350	\$0,818
1 Berkshire.....	8	9,000	220	19	13,450	455			33,628	2,354	25,000	350	0,818

MICHIGAN.

The State.....	134	\$210,850	6,574	125	\$108,852	6,200	52,045	\$110,000	3,571,000	\$25,381	0,833,000	\$04,509	\$100,561
1 Marquette.....	112	181,450	5,891	97	84,882	5,060	34,675	83,112	1,231,000	13,381	4,048,000	60,680	144,140
2 Menominee.....	22	29,400	683	28	23,970	1,140	17,370	33,857	2,340,000	12,000	2,785,000	33,880	16,371

TABLE 14.—Statistics of the production of iron ore, by states and counties—Continued.

MISSOURI.

Counties.	Number of establishments.	Maximum yearly capacity of production.	Product of establishments, census year.	Value of product of establishments.	Total product, census year, <i>i. e.</i> , product of establishments and irregular product together.	Value of total product.	EMPLOYÉS.				
							Men employed ground.	Boys employed ground.	Men employed above ground.	Boys employed above ground.	Total number of employés.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
The State.....	48	Tons. 968,001	Tons. 380,197	\$1,074,875	Tons. 386,197	\$1,074,875	358	10	1,435	90	1,593
1 Crawford.....	14	100,487	87,033	210,368	87,033	210,368	47	.....	398	1	446
2 Dent.....	15	167,604	58,878	100,071	58,878	160,071	8	.....	376	20	404
3 Franklin.....	3	32,400	8,064	24,725	8,064	24,725	10	.....	55	.....	60
4 Gasconade.....	1	.....	1,120	2,750	1,120	2,750	.....	.....	20	.....	20
5 Iron.....	3	188,000	57,297	138,093	57,297	138,093	200	10	114	20	434
6 Phelps.....	0	66,326	29,326	76,435	29,326	76,435	.....	.....	100	4	104
7 Saint Francois.....	2	341,185	144,265	1,062,051	144,265	1,062,051	3	.....	255	45	303
8 Washington.....	1	2,240	214	382	214	382	.....	.....	20	.....	26

NEW JERSEY.

The State.....	109	1,487,820	754,872	\$2,900,442	757,372	\$2,910,442	3,264	60	1,885	93	4,811
1 Bergen.....	1	3,600	280	1,250	280	1,250	.....	.....	0	.....	6
2 Hunterdon.....	18	74,642	19,027	82,515	19,027	82,515	141	1	98	8	248
3 Morris.....	55	1,084,813	568,420	2,353,810	568,420	2,353,810	2,451	52	830	57	3,390
4 Passaic.....	6	60,550	20,166	58,660	20,166	58,660	74	1	51	13	139
5 Sussex.....	15	225,250	87,165	244,776	89,005	254,776	340	6	220	6	567
6 Warren.....	14	89,074	50,214	159,422	50,214	159,422	240	9	174	0	441

NEW YORK.

The State.....	78	2,140,120	1,239,759	\$3,400,182	1,262,127	\$3,654,872	2,417	35	2,083	140	4,075
1 Clinton.....	6	290,692	92,100	354,584	92,166	354,584	510	.....	203	10	813
2 Columbia.....	3	40,840	18,224	73,219	18,224	73,210	.....	.....	87	3	90
3 Dutchess.....	11	147,886	125,850	396,672	125,850	396,672	.....	.....	460	38	504
4 Essex.....	13	770,121	680,044	1,809,203	631,807	1,811,718	1,131	3	297	.....	1,431
5 Jefferson.....	4	131,000	64,111	151,081	64,111	151,081	86	.....	203	.....	286
6 Oneida.....	6	99,720	37,052	63,899	37,052	63,899	60	.....	155	15	230
7 Orange.....	16	138,620	88,988	254,434	89,562	256,030	277	14	131	5	427
8 Putnam.....	8	202,070	76,446	170,050	76,446	170,050	217	18	226	5	466
9 Richmond.....	3	37,840	8,288	14,530	9,318	18,033	.....	.....	41	.....	41
10 Saint Lawrence.....	2	61,600	30,300	81,400	30,654	82,015	61	.....	25	.....	86
11 Washington.....	2	44,800	18,892	47,700	18,892	47,700	75	.....	15	2	92
12 Wayne.....	4	97,440	48,390	81,370	48,390	81,370	.....	.....	144	62	200
13 Name of county not given.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	219,640	147,001	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

a In table 8 this amount has been apportioned as follows: To Dutchess county, 705 tons; to Orange county, 1,180 tons; to Putnam county, 17,671 tons.

TABLE 14.—Statistics of the production of iron ore, by states and counties—Continued.

MISSOURI.

EMPLOYÉS.			Total wages paid.	CAPITAL.				Number of mining company's stores.	Value of all materials used.	Number of horses.	Value of horses.	Number of mules.	Value of mules.
Number of miners.	Number of laborers.	Number of administrative force.		Value of real estate.	Value of plant.	Amount used as working capital.	Total capital employed and invested.						
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
1,126	600	77	\$417,371	\$4,060,223	\$678,813	\$254,020	\$5,508,550	7	\$104,955	07	\$5,015	241	\$31,370
330	103	13	74,087	123,400	17,325	37,270	177,995	3	11,041	7	480	17	1,650
311	71	22	85,604	153,700	287,140	41,000	487,440	3	11,232	14	700	15	1,130
47	15	4	8,601	60,000	2,000	5,200	70,800	.....	1,800	12	600	2	175
19	.....	1	750	.....	.....	25	25	.....	117	.....	.....	.....	.....
100	253	12	80,047	907,954	54,328	50,900	1,073,132	.....	24,833	0	600	19	2,750
143	38	13	26,013	25,300	7,330	17,500	50,130	.....	4,180	17	1,040	12	1,000
102	100	11	130,035	3,317,860	300,670	100,025	3,727,464	1	51,073	11	1,475	170	24,575
5	20	1	1,024	4,000	20	1,500	5,520	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	.....

NEW JERSEY.

2,931	1,754	120	\$1,000,257	\$4,797,020	\$341,223	\$562,915	\$0,201,701	23	\$584,223	70	\$0,005	48	\$5,500
4	1	1	200	8,000	.....	250	8,250	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....
150	75	14	33,426	101,150	44,225	18,115	163,490	.....	12,515	11	1,140	8	1,000
2,097	1,225	68	1,208,615	2,902,720	654,074	407,725	4,025,110	18	407,509	35	3,150	18	2,100
02	72	5	30,042	204,000	14,123	27,800	305,923	1	11,404	0	050	2	300
304	174	19	135,703	1,181,200	62,050	74,050	1,268,800	2	33,510	12	1,225	.....	.....
215	207	10	93,671	330,550	65,554	34,075	430,170	2	20,032	3	200	20	2,100

NEW YORK.

2,200	2,213	100	\$1,507,395	\$0,443,440	\$1,281,740	\$537,950	\$3,203,130	24	\$534,395	323	\$30,035	48	\$0,830
431	339	43	200,228	300,000	150,500	102,000	648,500	5	44,902	50	4,050	1	50
51	30	9	22,532	152,500	63,300	3,000	223,800	3	21,248	41	0,500	.....	.....
227	253	24	164,050	013,540	150,800	54,500	1,118,840	1	50,402	112	12,035	15	1,000
607	788	30	519,938	2,019,525	542,120	200,100	3,607,745	4	268,034	41	0,625	4	230
226	49	14	111,750	222,000	63,000	27,000	312,000	3	10,252	13	1,300	.....	.....
40	179	11	43,774	42,000	15,250	8,150	65,400	.....	8,302	13	850	.....	.....
218	190	13	137,210	803,500	141,700	60,500	1,010,700	0	44,144	14	1,350	14	2,800
232	219	15	168,200	503,530	54,550	28,500	651,530	.....	47,050	0	825	.....	.....
22	10	3	7,500	37,000	0,020	3,700	40,720	.....	1,070	3	1,700	14	2,800
55	23	8	44,700	110,000	60,000	12,500	182,500	.....	10,750	3	250	.....	.....
60	27	5	20,000	100,000	11,500	14,000	215,500	2	3,672	2	200	.....	.....
100	97	9	52,349	89,845	12,000	18,000	114,845	.....	4,630	20	2,400	.....	.....

TABLE 14.—Statistics of the production of iron ore, by states and counties—Continued.

MISSOURI.

Value of all machinery.	Value of buildings.	IRREGULAR PRODUCTION.						Remarks.	
		Mined by furnaces.				Bought by furnaces.			
		Product census year.	Value of product.	Value of tools and machinery.	Estimated value of labor in producing and bringing to furnace.	From small mines within the county, census year.	Amount paid for this ore.		
39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46		
\$131,808	\$8,085	Tons.					Tons.		<p>Wages represent net wages. Materials include powder, fuel, lumber, and feed for horses and mules at \$5 per head per month. To the total lumber (unsawed) should be added 12,000 ties, the value of which is probably included in materials. To the total materials may be added \$264 for half-feed of horses and mules during idle time of mines temporarily suspending operations during the census year. Furnaces: The following returns from mines operated by, and in connection with furnaces are probably duplicated by Mr. Swank's returns: Number of mines, 9. Product, 32,734 tons; value, \$72,665. Employes, 238; wages, \$50,700. Real estate, \$120,000; plant, \$11,495; working capital, \$25,000; total capital, \$150,495. NOTE.—"The accounts are kept so loosely at almost all the mines of this region that it has been with the utmost difficulty only that anything like a fair return could be made up." "W. B. POTTER, "Special Agent, Saint Louis, Missouri."</p>
6,650	1,730							1	
2,125	4,565							2	
	100							3	
43,233								4	
400	1,600							5	
80,000								6	
								7	
								8	

NEW JERSEY.

\$519,054	\$15,500								<p>Wages represent the net earnings of the miner. Wherever the wages were manifestly the amount paid to contractor, deductions were made for powder, etc. It is possible, however, that in some cases the "maximum" number of employes and the amount paid to contractor appear as "average" number of employes and net wages, one error serving to conceal the other one. Materials include explosives, lumber, fuel, etc., and feed for horses and mules, the latter reckoned at \$0 per head per month. To total materials should, perhaps, be added \$1,824 for half-feed of horses and mules during idle time of mines temporarily suspending operations during census year. Explosives, when not returned and when used, have been estimated at 13 cents per ton. Capital in real estate, when not returned, has been estimated as equal to the royalty on 6 full years' production at the rate of the monthly production during the census year. Furnaces: It is to be feared that most of the ore reported as bought by furnaces from small mines was duplicated, names of middlemen appearing instead of those of operators. In view of this, and the fact that the state was very thoroughly canvassed by Special Agent J. C. Smock, a member of the New Jersey Geological Survey, it was deemed advisable to throw the irregular product out altogether. The mine schedules proper include the following mines, which are operated by and in connection with furnaces. These returns are probably duplicated by Mr. Swank in his returns. Number of mines, 21. Product, census year, 210,113 tons; value, \$847,077. Employes, 1,265; wages, \$416,884. Capital in real estate, \$929,000; plant, \$275,000; working capital, \$176,250; total capital, \$1,380,850. Sussex county product includes 2,500 tons, valued at \$10,000, of zinc residues, i. e., Franklinton from which the zinc has been extracted.</p>
20,500	750							1	
420,784	5,011							2	
9,275	500							3	
29,075	8,175							4	
40,320	530							5	
								6	

NEW YORK.

\$634,000	\$30,425	200	\$450	\$2,500	\$2,200	22,108	\$155,200		<p>Capital in real estate, when not returned, has been estimated as equal to the royalty on six full years' production at the rate of the monthly production during census year. Wages represent the net earnings of employes. Materials include powder, lumber, coal or wood for fuel, tools, and feed for horses and mules, etc. To the total materials for the state may be added \$2,836 for half-feed of horses and mules during idle time in the case of mines suspending operations temporarily during census year. Feed estimated at \$0 per month per head, and added to materials returned. Furnaces: Amount of ore bought by furnaces includes that mined within the state and sold to furnaces in neighboring states. Among the mine schedules proper, the following represent mines worked by or in connection with furnaces, and are probably duplicated in Mr. Swank's report: Number of mines, 9. Product, 85,087 tons; value, \$214,913. Employes, 357; wages, \$100,282. Real estate, \$273,549; plant, \$142,720; working capital, \$53,000; total capital, \$470,169.</p>
52,200								1	
81,825								2	
81,900	3,200							3	
274,836						803	2,425	4	
15,250	12,500							5	
6,500	6,100							6	
108,875	1,425					574	1,506	7	
36,020	3,500							8	
700						1,030	4,103	9	
20,000	3,500	200	450	2,500	2,200	55	165	10	
4,000								11	
3,300	200							12	
						10,646	147,001	13	

TABLE 14.—Statistics of the production of iron ore, by states and counties—Continued.

NORTH CAROLINA.

Counties.	Number of establishments.	Maximum yearly capacity of production.	Product of establishments, census year.	Value of product of establishments.	Total product, census year, i. e., product of establishments and irregular product together.	Value of total product.	EMPLOYÉS.				
							Men employed below ground.	Boys employed below ground.	Men employed above ground.	Boys employed above ground.	Total number of employés.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
The State.....	9	Tons. 11, 080	Tons. 3, 270	\$5, 103	Tons. 3, 318	\$5, 285	19		28		47
1 Catawba.....	1	100	50	200	52	203	1				1
2 Cherokee.....	4	1, 300	510	805	516	895			8		8
3 Guilford.....	1	2, 500	1, 080	2, 250	1, 680	2, 250	0		9		15
4 Lincoln.....	1	7, 000	250	750	250	750	10		9		13
5 Mitchell.....	1	680	680	907	720	1, 087			8		8
6 Surry.....	1	400	100	100	100	100	2				2

OREGON.

The State.....	1	22, 400	0, 972	\$4, 069	0, 972	\$4, 069	11		3		14
1 Clackamas.....	1	22, 400	0, 972	4, 069	0, 972	4, 069	11		3		14

OHIO.

The State.....	30	550, 158	198, 835	\$448, 000	547, 403	\$1, 269, 530	602	38	1, 038	43	1, 710
1 Athens.....					17, 000	84, 000					
2 Columbiana.....	7	122, 878	46, 108	87, 058	56, 940	110, 878			301	10	311
3 Cuyahoga.....					1, 224	7, 711					
4 Gallia.....					680	1, 500					
5 Hooking.....					40, 740	96, 840					
6 Jackson.....					73, 423	103, 065					
7 Lawrence.....	7	106, 500	62, 599	177, 975	136, 464	338, 472	335		848		678
8 Mahoning.....	3	22, 200	19, 628	34, 000	20, 636	42, 124	74	10	9	1	100
9 Muskingum.....					8, 654	20, 386					
10 Perry.....	2	27, 000	10, 707	19, 047	60, 378	159, 551			117		117
11 Scioto.....	1	5, 000	1, 300	8, 800	17, 337	47, 202			30		30
12 Stark.....					500	1, 250					
13 Trumbull.....	8	40, 880	11, 035	34, 250	12, 785	37, 050	73	7	12		92
14 Tuscarawas.....	6	196, 700	30, 388	55, 272	72, 388	139, 272	95	15	111	32	253
15 Vinton.....	1	35, 000	17, 010	35, 000	18, 800	39, 625	25		110		135

PENNSYLVANIA.

The State.....	358	3, 408, 506	1, 820, 561	\$4, 318, 990	2, 185, 675	\$5, 517, 079	2, 892	62	5, 106	583	8, 733
1 Adams.....	1	5, 000	560	1, 375	560	1, 375			10		10
2 Allegheny.....					350	1, 575					
3 Armstrong.....	4	26, 992	11, 536	20, 547	31, 557	76, 498	37		35		122
4 Bedford.....	6	120, 240	35, 850	72, 300	37, 360	77, 006	95		42	47	184
5 Berks.....	56	555, 817	252, 040	681, 052	304, 954	375, 466	522	10	668	112	1, 612
6 Blair.....	10	134, 240	154, 014	394, 412	154, 014	394, 412	161	1	304	21	487
7 Bucks.....	4	42, 560	24, 102	68, 280	24, 192	68, 280	75		8	6	89
8 Butler.....	4	6, 450	2, 318	5, 130	2, 318	5, 130	17		17		34
9 Carbon.....					852	3, 067					
10 Centre.....	1	11, 200	4, 375	10, 833	8, 935	25, 399			40		40

STATISTICS OF IRON ORE MINING.

TABLE 14.—Statistics of the production of iron ore, by states and counties—Continued.

NORTH CAROLINA.

EMPLOYÉS.			Total wages paid.	CAPITAL.				Number of mining company's stores.	Value of all materials used.	Number of horses.	Value of horses.	Number of mules.	Value of mules.
Number of miners.	Number of laborers.	Number of administrative force.		Value of real estate.	Value of plant.	Amount used as working capital.	Total capital employed and invested.						
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
88	4	5	\$4,050	\$6,050	\$2,750	\$1,000	\$13,300	1	\$965			2	\$200
1			75	100	100		200		55				
8			301	4,250		100	4,350		20				
14		1	1,000	2,300	1,500	1,200	5,000		680			2	200
10		3	1,170	400	1,000	500	1,000		150				
3	4	1	768	1,000	50	50	1,100	1	50				
2			85	600	100	50	750		10				

OREGON.

11	2	1	\$2,210	\$9,750	\$5,000	\$2,225	\$16,975		\$600				
11	2	1	2,210	9,750	5,000	2,225	16,975		600				

OHIO.

1,218	450	44	\$320,723	\$857,401	\$263,145	\$128,170	\$1,248,725	8	\$23,800	35	\$8,500	55	\$5,125
231	67	13	56,153	20,175	6,020	10,300	37,995		1,250				
513	158	7	137,019	567,800	197,675	53,000	818,875	5	11,470	27	2,700	28	2,800
87	11	2	25,859	9,450	7,950	4,250	21,050		3,060			9	725
110	7		15,035	91,723	3,500	4,329	99,555	2	1,164	6	600		
30			3,300	50,000	0,000	6,500	65,500	1	1,000				
74	13	5	20,482	13,000	16,200	6,100	35,300		1,983	1	100	5	550
143	103	7	20,275	75,250	20,000	23,700	118,950		2,120	1		13	1,050
25	100	10	33,000	30,000	2,000	20,000	62,000		850				

PENNSYLVANIA.

4,717	3,630	386	\$2,192,167	\$14,759,804	\$2,131,743	\$730,064	\$17,621,701	39	\$525,165	1,327	\$117,717	309	\$32,755
7	2	1	400	5,000	6,000	500	11,500		94				
107	13	2	14,048	38,385	1,200	2,730	42,315	1	382	2	200	3	300
141	36	7	58,497	250,000	56,100	10,850	325,950		11,045	10	990	15	1,525
708	825	70	304,335	774,970	487,366	126,522	1,388,897	3	124,124	261	24,347	36	3,800
156	314	17	171,631	431,000	108,535	48,400	587,935	5	47,863	55	6,050	40	5,950
43	42	4	23,145	80,000	5,350	1,500	87,350		4,743	3	250		
27	6	1	3,672	7,200	400	1,050	8,650		420	4	250		
	36	4	10,660	40,000	12,000	3,000	55,000	1	2,590			2	250

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TABLE 14.—Statistics of the production of iron ore, by states and counties—Continued.

NORTH CAROLINA.

Countries.	STEAM-POWER.						Amount of wood used for fuel.	Value of cord-wood.	Amount of unsawed lumber (other than for fuel).	Value of unsawed lumber.	Amount of sawed lumber.	Value of sawed lumber.	Cost of explosives.
	Number of steam-engines.	Value of steam-engines.	Horse-power of steam-engines.	Number of boilers.	Value of boilers.	Horse-power of boilers.							
	26	27	28	29	30	31							
The State.....	2	\$800	20	2	\$550	20	Cords. 90	\$75	Lin. feet. 250	\$5	Fl. B. M.		\$72
1 Catawba.....													50
2 Cherokee.....													5
3 Guilford.....	1	400	9	1	400	9							17
4 Lincoln.....	1	400	20	1	150	20	30	75					
5 Mitchell.....													
6 Surry.....									250	5			

OREGON.

The State.....	1	\$500	16	1	\$500	10	52	\$104		\$304			\$230
1 Clackamas.....	1	500	16	1	500	10	52	104		304			230

OHIO.

The State.....	5	\$4,925	130	13	\$3,375	180			155,000	\$1,900			\$7,048
1 Athens.....													
2 Columbiana.....	1	225	25	3	725	35							
3 Cuyahoga.....													
4 Gallia.....													
5 Hocking.....													
6 Jackson.....													
7 Lawrence.....													5,087
8 Mahoning.....	3	3,500	85	8	2,000	90			120,000	1,200			600
9 Muskingum.....													
10 Perry.....													500
11 Scioto.....													
12 Stark.....													
13 Trumbull.....	1	1,200	20	2	650	55			25,000	200			278
14 Tuscarawas.....									10,000	500			484
15 Vinton.....													

PENNSYLVANIA.

The State.....	380	\$451,900	9,117	550	\$240,080	10,804	505	\$1,483	1,208,092	\$29,840			\$65,288
1 Adams.....	1	800	25	1	1,000	30							
2 Allegheny.....													
3 Armstrong.....													500
4 Bedford.....	1	2,000	50	1	500	50			354,500	5,575			1,775
5 Berks.....	97	127,520	2,737	143	69,550	3,064			108,250	7,220			12,174
6 Blair.....	13	16,900	624	17	14,200	800			6,926	352			7,140
7 Bucks.....	2	1,500	45	3	800	50			20,000	100			2,932
8 Butler.....									400	8			117
9 Carbon.....													
10 Centre.....	3	2,000	90	5	2,000	100							

TABLE 14.—Statistics of the production of iron ore, by states and counties—Continued.

PENNSYLVANIA—Continued.

Counties.	Number of establishments.	Maximum yearly capacity of production.	Product of establishments, census year.	Value of product of establishments.	Total product, census year, i. e., product of establishments and irregular product together.	Value of total product.	EMPLOYÉS.				
							Men employed ground. below	Boys employed ground. below	Men employed ground. above	Boys employed ground. above	Total number of employés.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		<i>Tons.</i>	<i>Tons.</i>		<i>Tons.</i>						
11 Chester.....	5	24,462	10,687	81,809	14,087	40,801	50	.....	48	0	107
12 Clarion.....	11	59,480	15,300	28,798	15,705	30,142	114	.....	74	.....	188
13 Columbia.....					22,588	75,788					
14 Cumberland.....	19	218,500	67,840	151,072	70,938	180,617	15	.....	447	22	484
15 Dauphin.....	2	6,480	2,016	8,000	3,132	7,918	.....	.....	26	5	81
16 Fayette.....	4	109,186	69,702	147,601	70,140	183,433	272	0	84	4	360
17 Franklin.....	11	92,602	34,458	86,098	36,614	92,076	31	10	201	25	267
18 Huntingdon.....	4	68,320	25,245	61,407	26,113	65,736	50	.....	40	7	103
10 Juniata.....	7	67,234	34,373	60,835	35,720	73,023	70	.....	38	.....	108
20 Lancaster.....	9	102,704	69,274	134,583	78,850	184,919	.....	.....	241	28	269
21 Lawrence.....	16	187,330	60,201	123,226	70,296	159,540	158	0	66	.....	230
22 Lebanon.....	4	297,102	285,620	514,920	285,620	514,920	.....	.....	184	14	198
23 Lehigh.....	60	524,604	821,822	880,818	410,700	1,201,020	217	.....	1,434	190	1,847
24 Lycoming.....	3	14,224	4,948	6,988	5,874	8,470	33	.....	12	.....	45
25 Mercer.....					1,008	7,200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
26 Mifflin.....	15	70,805	34,152	70,194	53,600	119,800	120	4	82	3	218
27 Montgomery.....	15	62,832	41,881	92,247	94,337	208,738	103	.....	110	10	223
28 Montour.....	8	63,440	30,741	47,677	38,890	68,400	133	13	8	3	157
29 Northampton.....	35	144,799	104,788	207,161	122,526	327,068	140	.....	282	40	402
30 Northumberland.....	2	17,360	2,016	4,600	6,142	16,728	16	.....	8	.....	24
31 Perry.....	10	59,338	39,153	107,100	39,334	107,980	134	5	82	21	242
32 Snyder.....	7	65,643	27,381	54,904	31,426	68,066	118	.....	29	.....	147
33 Tioga.....					100	250	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
34 Union.....	1	2,000	529	1,062	809	1,803	8	.....	6	.....	14
35 York.....	18	173,511	63,570	178,422	70,068	199,120	144	4	264	10	423

TENNESSEE.

The State.....	34	218,254	89,933	\$120,951	104,405	\$147,181	77	.....	443	32	552
1 Blount.....	1	5,670	2,342	3,098	2,342	3,098	4	.....	7	.....	11
2 Bradley.....	3	25,081	9,931	12,625	9,931	12,625	.....	.....	71	.....	71
3 Carter.....	5	5,934	4,445	10,131	4,445	10,131	.....	.....	36	.....	36
4 Dixon.....	2	12,474	10,773	18,892	10,773	18,892	.....	.....	83	15	98
5 Hamblin.....	1	11,200	5,600	15,000	5,600	15,000	.....	.....	85	5	40
6 James.....	5	29,305	13,235	15,125	13,235	15,125	.....	.....	78	2	75
7 Johnson.....	10	6,790	3,060	3,200	3,060	3,260	5	.....	35	.....	40
8 Lawrence.....	1	11,340	641	565	641	565	.....	.....	25	.....	25
9 Meigs.....	1	11,340	10,206	13,500	10,206	13,500	15	.....	7	.....	22
10 Rhea.....	1	34,020	13,608	18,000	13,608	18,000	30	.....	8	.....	38
11 Roane.....	3	35,220	15,049	18,126	29,581	35,356	23	.....	43	5	71
12 Stewart.....	1	26,880	1,043	1,620	1,043	1,620	.....	.....	20	5	25

TEXAS.

The State.....					3,600	\$8,100					
1 Marion.....					3,600	8,100					

TABLE 14.—Statistics of the production of iron ore, by states and counties—Continued.

PENNSYLVANIA—Continued.

Value of all machinery.	Value of buildings.	IRREGULAR PRODUCTION.						Remarks.		
		Mined by furnaces.				Bought by furnaces.				
		Product, census year.	Value of product.	Value of tools and machinery.	Estimated value of labor in producing and bringing to furnace.	From small mines within the county, census year.	Amount paid for this ore.			
39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46			
15,000	1,300	Tons.				Tons.			Cambria county: The only iron mines in this county are those of the Cambria Iron Company, which produce ordinarily about 30,000 tons (carbonate) per annum, but which were idle during the census year.	11
										12
		22,588	75,788	41,500	62,045					13
52,933	18,116	4,400	13,200	4,400	10,000	4,092	15,445			14
1,800	2,000	1,060	4,248	500	2,985	56	65			15
						12,348	35,742			16
20,066	14,040					2,150	5,078			17
13,200	4,700					868	4,320			18
	200					1,351	4,088			19
34,700	4,850	5,052	11,848	6,700	6,000	10,524	38,493			20
2,000						10,065	30,320			21
18,000	550									22
311,870	138,378	20,803	62,670	10,000	41,780	77,485	258,432			23
	600					426	1,491			24
						1,008	7,200			25
12,975	900	17,860	44,650	2,530	4,000	1,687	4,956			26
13,500	4,700	0,008	22,530	9,500	19,512	40,498	153,061			27
12,000	2,800					9,140	10,723			28
61,110	12,361	732	2,798		1,799	17,000	57,100			29
		3,448	10,122	95	3,050	678	2,00			30
6,100	6,880					231	877			31
	1,000					4,045	13,162			32
		100	250	7,500	150					33
						280	891			34
24,560	12,400					6,488	20,608			35

TENNESSEE.

	\$1,870	13,732	\$16,630			800	\$600			
										Capital in real estate, when not returned, has been estimated as equal to the royalty on six full years' production at the rate of the monthly production during the census year.
										Wages represent net wages.
										Materials include, powder, fuze, lumber, etc., and feed for horses, mules, and oxen. The latter has been estimated at \$6 per month per head and added to returns for materials. To total materials should perhaps be added for half-feed of animals (horses and mules) during idle time of mines temporarily suspending operations during the census year, \$1,873.
	120									Oxen: Beside horses and mules 10 oxen were returned, valued at \$355.
										Furnaces: The following returns from mines operated by and in connection with furnaces are probably duplicated by Mr. Swank's report. Number of mines, 11. Product, 24,844 tons; value, \$49,315. Employees, 235; wages, \$37,931. Real estate, \$235,300; plant, \$12,925; working capital, \$3,400; total capital, \$306,625.
	1,250	13,732	16,630			800	600			

TEXAS.

		3,600	\$8,100	\$50	\$7,200					
		3,600	8,100	50	7,200					1

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TABLE 14.—Production of iron ore, by states and counties—Continued.

VERMONT.

Counties.	Number of establishments.	Maximum yearly capacity of production.	Product of establishments, census year.	Value of product of establishments.	Total product census year, i. e., product of establishments and irregular product together.	Value of total product.	EMPLOYÉS.				
							Men employed ground.	Boys employed ground.	Men employed above ground.	Boys employed above ground.	Total number of employes.
							7	8	9	10	11
The State.....	1	Tons. 1,120	Tons. 500	\$2,750	Tons. 500	\$2,750	7	.....	8	.....	15
1 Franklin.....	1	1,120	500	2,750	500	2,750	7	.....	8	.....	15

VIRGINIA.

The State.....	20	1,404,524	160,083	\$384,331	182,320	\$430,886	338	10	555	30	930
1 Albemarle.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
2 Alleghany.....	8	174,720	61,100	125,243	61,100	125,243	103	1	100	18	312
3 Amherst.....	3	224,000	10,040	42,750	10,040	42,750	76	1	60	2	148
4 Augusta.....	2	85,120	10,052	33,815	10,702	33,823	49	8	132	5	189
5 Bedford.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	600	750	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
6 Botetourt.....	2	205,800	28,225	63,003	28,225	63,003	30	2	50	3	85
7 Campbell.....	1	84	84	150	308	934	5	.....	.....	4	9
8 Louisa.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14	173	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
9 Nelson.....	1	56,000	3,300	15,000	3,300	15,000	30	.....	30	.....	60
10 Pittsylvania.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11,202	50,814	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
11 Rockingham.....	2	187,000	31,300	64,000	31,300	64,000	5	.....	48	2	55
12 Shenandoah.....	2	156,800	7,840	14,220	7,850	14,233	20	3	0	2	37
13 Wythe.....	5	252,000	10,416	20,650	10,416	20,650	14	.....	30	.....	44
14 Name of county not given.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	434	2,263	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

WEST VIRGINIA.

The State.....	8	140,520	60,371	\$38,505	61,216	\$61,057	150	.....	114	2	260
1 Braxton.....	1	5,000	2,500	3,333	2,500	3,333	9	.....	1	.....	10
2 Hampshire.....	1	8,500	7,000	10,500	7,000	10,500	.....	.....	25	.....	25
3 Hardy.....	1	6,720	448	400	448	400	6	.....	.....	.....	6
4 Kanawha.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	345	2,462	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
5 Morgan.....	1	16,800	2,800	5,000	2,800	5,000	.....	.....	20	1	30
6 Preston.....	3	75,500	33,325	44,722	33,325	44,722	85	.....	44	1	130
7 Taylor.....	1	28,000	13,798	24,640	13,798	24,640	50	.....	15	.....	65

WISCONSIN.

The State.....	2	45,600	41,440	\$73,000	41,440	\$73,000	20	2	37	3	62
1 Dodge.....	1	40,000	38,200	70,000	30,200	70,000	20	2	20	3	54
2 Sauk.....	1	5,600	2,240	3,000	2,240	3,000	.....	.....	8	.....	8

TABLE 14.—Production of iron ore, by states and counties—Continued.

VERMONT.

EMPLOYÉS.			Total wages paid.	CAPITAL.				Number of mining company's stores.	Value of all materials used.	Number of horses.	Value of horses.	Number of mules.	Value of mules.
Number of miners.	Number of laborers.	Number of administrative force.		Value of real estate.	Value of plant.	Amount used as working capital.	Total capital employed and invested.						
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
15	\$1,500	\$1,000	\$500	\$500	\$2,000	.....	\$530	1	\$100	.....	.....
15	1,500	1,000	500	500	2,000	.....	530	1	100	.....	1

VIRGINIA.

412	488	80	\$180,270	\$1,400,500	\$206,000	\$106,025	\$1,800,125	24	\$37,788	100	\$10,175	148	\$16,075	1
122	150	40	80,950	302,000	62,400	30,600	401,000	8	15,055	19	1,400	55	0,350	2
75	61	12	16,100	152,000	50,000	6,500	208,500	2	3,002	41	4,075	25	2,475	3
107	70	12	30,851	200,000	20,000	22,000	248,000	2	0,804	6	800	16	2,300	4
4	74	7	8,400	260,000	10,000	0,700	210,700	2	1,225	1	75	1	100	6
5	8	1	300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7
30	20	10	3,600	50,000	30,000	2,500	82,500	1	2,212	.....	.....	12	1,200	8
15	68	2	14,000	415,000	8,100	10,000	483,100	2	2,100	3	150	20	2,050	9
26	0	2	8,888	90,000	12,000	12,000	114,000	2	2,375	10	850	3	800	10
28	16	8	8,240	87,500	7,500	7,325	102,825	5	8,750	32	2,825	5	500	11
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14

WEST VIRGINIA.

105	03	8	\$63,085	\$88,500	\$10,550	\$10,450	\$115,500	3	\$5,061	22	\$1,200	0	\$800	1
0	.....	1	1,050	4,500	500	350	5,350	.....	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
0	15	1	0,500	10,000	0,000	1,000	17,000	.....	500	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
0	.....	.....	300	25,000	50	100	25,150	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4
15	14	1	2,250	5,000	1,500	1,500	8,000	.....	234	18	000	.....	.....	5
81	47	2	98,571	38,000	0,500	5,000	40,500	2	3,356	4	300	7	700	6
45	17	3	10,414	0,000	2,000	2,500	10,500	.....	771	.....	.....	2	100	7

WISCONSIN.

33	28	1	\$17,000	\$100,000	\$10,000	\$16,000	\$188,000	1	\$2,250	10	\$050	4	\$200	1
25	28	1	15,000	90,000	5,000	6,000	71,000	.....	2,000	3	350	4	200	2
8	.....	.....	2,000	100,000	5,000	10,000	115,000	1	250	7	600	.....	.....	.....

MINING INDUSTRIES OF THE UNITED STATES.

TABLE 15.—Statistics of the production of iron ore, by states.

[NOTE.—With the exception of columns 5 and 6, in which the regular and irregular product are

States.	Number of counties reporting.	Number of establishments.	Maximum yearly capacity of production.	Product of establishments, census year.	Value of product of establishments.	Total product census year, i. e. product of establishments and irregular product together.	Value of total product.	EMPLOYÉS.		
								Men employed ground.	Boys employed ground.	Men employed above ground.
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Total	160	805	Tons. 13,462,017	Tons. 7,004,829	\$20,470,750	Tons. 7,974,806	\$23,150,057	13,785	249	10,345
1 Alabama.....	10	17	210,100	184,110	180,108	191,070	201,865	100	6	500
2 Connecticut.....	1	4	45,800	35,018	147,799	35,018	147,790	20		170
3 Delaware.....	1	2	18,389	2,720	6,553	2,720	6,553			30
4 Georgia.....	3	7	101,157	72,705	120,092	91,416	143,022	50		287
5 Kentucky.....	9	5	105,420	33,522	88,930	64,809	105,905	45		255
6 Indiana.....	1					518	1,018			
7 Maine.....	1	1	12,000	6,000	9,000	6,000	9,000			20
8 Maryland.....	11	13	145,296	57,940	118,050	130,028	421,091	12		205
9 Massachusetts.....	1	9	37,300	62,637	220,130	62,637	220,130	224		134
10 Michigan.....	2	43	2,223,365	1,837,712	6,034,648	1,837,712	6,034,648	3,120	17	2,229
11 Missouri.....	8	48	908,001	386,197	1,074,375	386,197	1,074,375	358	10	1,435
12 New Jersey.....	6	109	1,487,820	754,372	2,000,442	757,372	2,010,442	3,204	60	1,385
13 New York.....	18	78	2,140,129	1,230,750	3,400,182	1,202,127	3,654,872	2,417	35	2,083
14 North Carolina.....	6	9	11,980	9,270	5,102	3,318	5,285	10		28
15 Oregon.....	1	1	22,400	6,072	4,000	6,972	4,000	11		3
16 Ohio.....	15	30	550,158	198,835	448,000	547,403	1,200,530	602	88	1,033
17 Pennsylvania.....	85	358	3,408,506	1,820,561	4,318,999	2,185,675	5,517,079	2,892	62	5,106
18 Tennessee.....	12	34	218,254	89,933	120,051	104,465	147,181	77		443
19 Texas.....	1					3,600	3,100			
20 Vermont.....	1	1	1,120	580	2,750	500	2,750	7		8
21 Virginia.....	13	26	1,404,524	100,083	384,331	132,326	430,386	338	10	555
22 West Virginia.....	7	8	140,520	60,371	88,595	61,210	91,057	150		114
23 Wisconsin.....	2	2	45,600	41,440	78,000	41,440	73,000	20	2	37

TABLE 15.—Statistics of the production of iron ore, by states.

combined, all the questions in columns 1 to 40, both inclusive, relate to regular establishments only.]

EMPLOYEES.					CAPITAL.							Number of mining company's stores.	Value of all materials used.	Number of horses.
Boys employed above ground.	Total number of employes.	Number of miners.	Number of laborers.	Number of administrative force.	Total wages paid.	Value of real estate.	Value of plant.	Amount used as working capital.	Total capital employed and invested.					
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22		
1,030	31,068	17,023	12,402	1,253	\$9,538,117	\$48,274,140	\$8,057,375	\$4,850,763	\$61,782,287	175	\$2,804,011	2,744		
33	738	503	210	10	123,342	438,772	40,770	50,000	530,442	0	17,025	279		
1	200	100	90	10	61,107	368,000	30,800	18,500	420,300	.....	20,853	38	
11	47	20	25	2	2,805	40,000	0,300	2,000	48,300	.....	041	6	
5	842	217	105	20	108,796	101,200	33,935	35,700	170,925	4	8,345	4		
25	325	224	88	13	69,319	678,329	50,500	42,000	770,829	2	8,100	91		
.....		
.....	20	12	8	.....	0,000	2,500	2,000	2,000	6,500	.....	3,150	16
22	320	110	192	18	61,138	310,000	135,404	44,450	400,514	2	23,726	37		
24	382	210	150	10	117,158	183,000	70,000	22,400	270,000	.....	43,130	50	
106	5,562	3,163	2,180	210	2,578,857	12,452,311	2,780,944	2,254,520	17,400,775	14	930,711	300		
90	1,803	1,120	600	77	417,371	4,000,223	678,313	254,020	5,508,556	7	104,055	67		
93	4,811	2,981	1,754	120	1,606,257	4,707,020	841,220	562,915	6,201,701	23	584,220	70		
140	4,075	2,200	2,210	100	1,507,305	6,443,449	1,281,740	537,950	8,203,130	24	534,305	323		
.....	47	38	4	5	4,050	8,650	2,750	1,000	13,800	1	065	14		
.....	14	11	2	1	2,210	9,750	5,000	2,225	10,075	.....	600	15	
43	1,710	1,213	450	44	320,723	857,401	263,145	123,170	1,248,725	8	23,806	35		
583	8,733	4,717	3,630	386	2,192,167	14,759,894	2,131,743	730,064	17,021,701	30	625,105	1,327		
32	552	410	100	24	33,520	410,450	36,005	27,375	478,020	14	8,670	22		
.....		
.....	15	15	.....	.....	1,500	1,000	500	500	2,000	.....	536	1
36	939	412	438	80	186,270	1,400,500	200,000	100,025	1,809,125	24	87,783	100		
2	266	165	93	8	63,985	88,500	10,550	10,450	115,500	8	5,061	23		
3	62	33	28	1	17,000	160,000	10,000	10,000	180,000	1	2,250	10		

a Includes 64 oxen.

TABLE 15.—Statistics of the production of iron ore, by states—Continued.

States.	Value of horses.	Number of mules.	Value of mules.	STEAM-POWER.						Amount of wood used for fuel.	Value of cord-wood.
				Number of steam-engines.	Value of steam-engines.	Horse-power of steam-engines.	Number of boilers.	Value of boilers.	Horse-power of boilers.		
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33
Total	\$287,507	1,240	\$142,035	821	\$1,061,882	24,838	1,093	\$643,846	28,422	<i>Cords.</i> 88,743	\$178,050
1 Alabama	2,835	107	11,070	6	4,550	192	0	2,250	192	1,530	2,080
2 Connecticut	11,050			5	2,500	105	0	5,200	135	5	25
3 Delaware	400	13	1,140	4	2,500	40	3	1,300	28	23	53
4 Georgia		68	8,050				1	300	20		
5 Kentucky	8,300	26	1,500								
6 Indiana											
7 Maine	1,600										
8 Maryland	5,000	45	6,100	11	9,600	263	11	7,200	263	910	2,000
9 Massachusetts	6,575	2	200	8	9,600	220	19	13,450	455		
10 Michigan	64,950	37	4,070	134	210,850	9,574	125	108,852	6,200	52,045	116,060
11 Missouri	5,015	241	31,370	17	31,800	448	24	20,150	594	6,447	15,157
12 New Jersey	6,665	48	5,500	152	105,945	4,486	192	110,065	4,021	2	8
13 New York	30,035	48	6,880	87	121,591	3,039	118	115,034	4,267	20,608	37,121
14 North Carolina		2	200	2	800	20	2	550	29	30	75
15 Oregon				1	500	16	1	500	16	52	104
16 Ohio	3,500	55	5,125	5	4,025	130	13	3,375	180		
17 Pennsylvania	117,717	309	32,755	380	451,390	9,117	559	246,080	10,864	595	1,483
18 Tennessee	1,600	84	10,100								
19 Texas											
20 Vermont	100										
21 Virginia	10,175	148	16,675	8	13,025	154	11	8,600	199	6,400	2,384
22 West Virginia	1,200	9	800								
23 Wisconsin	950	4	200	1	2,000	25	2	1,000	50		

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TABLE 16.—Production of iron

Name of State.	Number of counties reporting.		Maximum yearly capacity of production of working establishments.	Product of establishments, census year.	Value of product of establishments.	Irregular product, census year.	Total product, census year.	Value of total product.	Value of all materials used in regular industry.	Wages paid in establishments of regular industry.	Men employed above ground.	Men employed below ground.	Boys under 16 employed above ground.
	1	2												3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
The United States.....	185	805	Tons. 13,462,917	Tons. 7,004,829	\$20,470,760	Tons. 900,077	Tons. 7,074,806	\$23,156,957	\$2,894,011	\$0,638,117	16,345	13,735	1,899
1 Alabama.....	10	17	310,100	184,110	189,108	7,506	101,676	201,865	17,625	123,342	500	100	33
2 Connecticut.....	1	4	45,800	35,018	147,799	.....	35,018	147,799	20,853	61,167	179	20	1
3 Delaware.....	1	2	18,380	2,726	6,553	.....	2,726	6,553	941	2,865	36	.....	11
4 Georgia.....	3	7	101,157	72,705	120,692	18,711	91,416	143,622	8,345	108,796	287	50	5
5 Kentucky.....	4	5	105,420	33,522	88,930	31,287	64,800	165,905	8,100	60,319	255	45	25
6 Indiana.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	513	513	1,018	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
7 Maine.....	1	1	12,000	6,000	9,000	.....	6,000	9,000	3,150	9,000	20	.....	.....
8 Maryland.....	5	13	145,206	57,940	118,050	31,688	139,628	421,601	23,726	61,138	205	12	22
9 Massachusetts.....	1	9	87,300	62,637	226,130	.....	62,637	226,130	43,136	117,158	134	224	24
10 Michigan.....	2	43	2,223,365	1,897,712	6,034,648	.....	1,837,712	6,034,648	939,711	2,573,857	2,220	3,120	199
11 Missouri.....	8	48	668,001	386,197	1,074,875	.....	386,197	1,074,875	104,955	417,371	1,435	358	90
12 New Jersey.....	0	109	1,487,829	754,872	2,000,442	2,500	757,372	2,010,442	584,229	1,606,257	1,385	3,204	93
13 New York.....	12	78	2,140,120	1,230,759	3,499,132	22,368	1,262,127	3,654,872	534,395	1,507,395	2,083	2,417	140
14 North Carolina.....	6	9	11,980	3,276	5,102	42	3,318	5,285	965	4,059	28	19	.....
15 Oregon.....	1	1	22,400	6,972	4,660	.....	6,972	4,660	600	2,210	3	11	.....
16 Ohio.....	8	30	556,158	108,835	448,000	848,508	547,403	1,269,530	23,806	320,723	1,033	602	43
17 Pennsylvania.....	34	358	3,408,506	1,820,561	4,318,990	365,114	2,185,675	5,517,079	525,105	2,192,107	5,190	2,892	583
18 Tennessee.....	12	34	218,254	89,933	120,951	14,532	104,465	147,181	8,679	83,529	443	77	32
19 Texas.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,600	3,000	8,100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
20 Vermont.....	1	1	1,120	560	2,750	.....	560	2,750	536	1,500	8	7	.....
21 Virginia.....	9	26	1,404,524	169,668	384,331	12,643	182,326	430,886	37,783	180,279	555	338	35
22 West Virginia.....	6	8	140,520	60,371	88,595	845	61,210	91,057	5,001	63,985	114	150	2
23 Wisconsin.....	2	2	45,600	41,440	73,000	41,440	73,000	2,250	17,000	37	20	3

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ore, by states (condensed table).

Boys employed below ground.	Total number of employes in regular establishments.	Number of miners.	Number of laborers.	Number of administrative force.	Number of steam-engines.	Total horse-power.	Value of all machinery.	Cost of explosives used.	Number of horses used in regular industry.	Number of mules used in regular industry.	Amount used as working capital.	Value of plant.	Value of real estate.	Total capital employed and invested in the regular industry.	Number of tons on which royalty is paid.	Gross amount paid as royalty in census year.
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
240	31,068	17,023	12,492	1,253	821	24,838	\$3,211,548	\$484,452	2,080	1,240	\$4,850,763	\$8,057,875	\$48,274,140	\$61,782,287	2,394,524	\$1,020,429
0	738	503	216	19	0	102	17,705	4,240	0	107	50,000	46,770	438,772	536,442	48,010	5,776
...	200	100	90	10	5	105	22,225	3,000	08	0	18,500	30,800	308,000	420,300	23,077	42,145
...	47	20	25	2	4	40	4,400	3	0	10	2,000	6,800	40,000	48,300	.....	.....
...	342	217	105	20	0	0	1,250	4,200	0	68	35,790	33,935	101,200	170,925	.....	.....
...	325	224	88	13	0	0	0	1,470	31	26	42,000	59,500	678,820	779,820	17,000	3,578
.....
.....	20	12	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,000	16	0	2,000	2,000	2,500	6,500	.....	.....
.....	320	110	192	18	11	268	17,164	780	37	45	44,450	135,404	310,000	490,514	11,536	5,387
.....	382	216	156	10	8	220	34,900	6,818	50	2	22,400	70,600	183,000	276,000	3,845	1,227
17	5,562	3,163	2,189	210	134	6,574	338,558	100,501	300	37	2,254,520	2,789,044	12,452,911	17,406,775	392,251	172,145
.....
10	1,893	1,126	600	77	17	448	181,808	28,072	67	241	254,020	678,318	4,066,228	5,598,556	140,507	65,144
00	4,811	2,031	1,754	126	152	4,486	519,954	105,130	70	48	562,015	841,226	4,707,020	6,261,761	364,946	107,601
35	4,675	2,269	2,216	100	87	3,039	634,066	77,098	323	48	537,950	1,251,740	6,443,440	8,268,189	101,415	73,497
.....	47	38	4	5	2	29	1,850	72	0	2	1,900	2,750	8,050	13,300	.....	.....
.....	14	11	2	1	1	16	1,000	230	0	0	2,225	5,600	9,750	16,975	.....	.....
.....
38	1,716	1,213	459	44	5	130	8,600	7,048	35	55	128,170	268,145	857,401	1,248,725	50,269	9,004
02	8,733	4,717	3,030	386	380	9,117	934,658	65,288	1,327	309	730,064	2,131,743	14,759,894	17,621,761	972,303	422,007
.....	552	410	109	24	.....	.....	.....	1,200	22	84	27,375	36,095	410,450	473,920	48,063	10,569
.....
.....	15	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	225	138	1	0	500	500	1,000	2,000	.....	.....
.....
10	930	412	438	89	8	154	37,785	13,105	106	148	106,625	206,000	1,406,500	1,809,125	51,044	11,323
.....	266	165	98	8	0	0	1,500	1,226	22	0	10,450	16,550	88,500	116,500	16,323	1,070
2	62	33	28	1	1	25	3,000	225	10	4	16,000	10,000	160,000	186,000	.....	.....

rected where necessary to make them accord with the final results.

b 64 oxen are also reported in Alabama.

TABLE 17.—Production of iron ore,

Name of state.	Product of largest mine.	Average product per mine.	Average number of hands to mine.	Average royalty paid per ton.	Average yearly income of man.	Average monthly net earnings of man.	Average number of tons raised per day per man.	Average per cent. of year employed in mining.	Per cent. of year not employed in mining.	Per cent. of year lost in strikes.	Average price per ton of ore at mine.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
The United States	Tons. 280,000	Tons. 8,772		Cents. 43.70	\$308.94	\$33.20	0.96	77.55	22.43	0.02	\$2.90
1 Alabama	23,364	10,330	43	11.83	171.67	24.70	1.43	57.91	42.00	.....	1.05
2 Connecticut	14,405	8,754	50	178.00	306.60	27.99	0.64	91.28	8.72	.....	4.22
3 Delaware	1,834	1,363	23	.....	69.04	31.80	1.06	18.09	81.91	.....	2.40
4 Georgia	44,225	10,366	49	.....	320.46	33.81	0.90	78.99	21.01	.....	1.57
5 Kentucky	17,435	6,704	65	19.89	221.82	27.18	0.50	68.02	30.78	1.20	2.53
6 Maine	6,000	6,000	20	.....	450.00	112.51	3.00	33.33	66.67	.....	1.50
7 Maryland	17,843	4,457	25	46.70	192.26	29.49	1.08	54.32	45.68	.....	3.02
8 Massachusetts	19,079	6,960	42	33.00	316.04	32.04	0.66	82.35	17.65	.....	3.61
9 Michigan	224,000	42,668	129	43.88	471.70	43.11	1.20	91.10	8.81	.....	3.28
10 Missouri	128,708	8,046	39	46.33	226.46	25.03	0.90	75.41	24.59	.....	4.33
11 New Jersey	35,022	6,925	44	54.17	339.50	30.84	0.74	71.03	28.18	0.70	3.84
12 New York	208,416	15,394	60	33.39	328.59	30.64	0.99	80.38	19.62	.....	2.89
13 North Carolina	1,036	364	5	.....	86.36	17.18	0.55	41.88	58.12	.....	1.50
14 Oregon	6,072	6,072	14	.....	137.86	25.06	3.16	52.50	47.50	.....	0.67
15 Ohio	9,331	6,628	57	17.90	196.70	25.98	0.61	63.13	36.15	0.72	2.31
16 Pennsylvania	280,000	5,685	24	43.33	260.65	28.57	0.91	76.04	23.80	0.10	2.52
17 Tennessee	13,608	2,645	16	21.71	155.84	29.23	0.97	55.91	44.09	.....	1.41
18 Vermont	500	500	15	.....	100.00	25.00	0.37	33.33	66.67	.....	4.91
19 Virginia	28,000	6,520	36	22.18	203.30	23.80	1.03	58.06	41.34	.....	2.41
20 West Virginia	20,120	7,546	33	6.40	241.45	28.81	1.08	69.84	29.79	0.37	1.48
21 Wisconsin	39,200	20,720	31	.....	285.71	35.71	3.34	66.67	33.33	.....	1.76

general average by states.

Cost of labor per ton of ore mined.	Cost of material per ton of ore mined.	Amount of interest, royalty, and profit per ton of ore.	Per cent. of value of product paid for labor.	Per cent. of value of product paid for material.	Per cent. of value of product left for royalty, profit, and interest.	Average horse-power of engines to mine.	Per cent. of miners to total force.	Per cent. of laborees in total force.	Per cent. of administrative force in total force.	Per cent. of capital in real estate.	Per cent. of capital in plant.	Per cent. of capital used for working capital.	Per cent. ratio of value of yearly product to total capital.	Per cent. ratio of tonnage produced to maximum capacity of production.
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
\$1 35	\$0 41	\$1 14	46.59	14.15	30.26	81	50.00	39.45	3.96	78.14	14.01	7.85	33.13	52.45
07	10	27	65.22	9.32	26.46	11	68.16	20.27	2.57	81.80	8.70	9.49	28.00	50.37
1 75	00	1 87	41.88	14.10	44.52	26	50.00	45.00	5.00	86.32	9.30	4.34	34.71	76.46
1 05	35	1 00	43.72	14.36	41.92	20	42.55	53.20	4.20	82.82	13.04	4.14	13.78	14.82
1 50	11	07	90.14	6.01	2.05	.....	63.45	30.70	5.85	59.21	19.85	20.94	70.01	71.87
2 07	24	35	77.95	9.11	12.94	.....	68.92	27.08	4.00	86.98	7.63	5.30	11.40	31.86
1 50	52	a 52	100.00	35.00	(a)	.....	99.00	40.00	.....	38.40	30.77	30.77	72.20	50.00
1 06	41	57	51.79	20.10	28.11	20	36.17	58.36	5.47	63.32	27.02	9.06	24.07	39.88
1 87	08	1 00	51.81	19.07	20.12	24	56.54	40.84	2.63	66.30	25.58	8.12	81.03	71.70
1 40	51	1 38	42.05	15.60	41.75	153	56.87	39.86	3.77	71.10	15.94	12.89	34.40	82.52
1 08	27	2 98	24.92	6.27	68.81	9	59.48	36.45	4.07	83.34	12.11	4.54	30.00	39.90
2 13	77	04	55.38	20.14	24.48	41	60.02	36.46	2.62	77.36	13.56	9.08	40.77	59.74
1 22	43	1 17	43.08	15.27	41.65	39	48.53	47.40	4.06	77.98	15.51	6.51	42.34	57.69
1 24	20	03	70.56	18.01	1.53	3	80.85	8.61	10.04	65.04	20.07	14.28	38.30	27.35
32	09	26	47.33	12.85	39.82	16	78.57	14.28	7.14	57.44	20.46	13.11	27.61	31.73
1 66	12	47	73.00	5.31	21.69	4	70.60	26.75	2.56	68.60	21.07	10.26	85.88	35.75
1 20	20	88	50.76	12.10	37.08	25	54.01	41.57	4.42	89.76	12.16	4.14	24.51	53.41
93	10	41	64.27	6.68	29.05	.....	75.90	19.74	4.35	66.60	7.02	5.78	27.42	41.21
2 08	98	1 27	54.54	19.40	25.97	.....	100.00	.....	.....	50.00	25.00	25.00	137.50	50.00
1 10	22	95	48.47	9.83	41.70	6	43.88	46.65	9.48	82.72	11.89	5.89	21.24	12.08
1 06	08	88	72.22	5.72	22.06	.....	62.03	34.96	3.01	76.02	14.33	9.05	80.52	42.96
41	05	1 30	23.29	8.08	73.63	13	53.28	45.16	1.60	86.02	5.87	8.60	39.25	90.88

a Loss.

REMARKS ON TABLE 16.

Table 16 contains the principal results thus far compiled from the schedules of the production of iron ore during the census year ending June 1, 1880. The ton of 2,000 pounds is invariably used.

The second column of Table 16 gives the number of mines or establishments which have a regular industrial organization, and from whom it was possible to obtain an account of the capital, wages, and materials employed.

The sixth column, headed "irregular product", gives the amount of iron ore raised between the above dates by persons the principal part of whose livelihood was obtained in some other occupation, generally farming. In twelve of the states there are localities where soft ore can be obtained from surface diggings. These are worked by farmers during the intervals of agricultural employment, the product drawn by farm teams to the nearest furnace and sold. The quantities of ore so produced by individuals vary from 5 to 500 tons. In some instances, again, furnace companies own the land on which the ore is dug, and hire the farmers of the neighborhood to deliver it at the furnace for a fixed price per ton. This work is done in such an irregular and desultory manner that the only items safely attainable are the amount and value of the product, although the total so produced amounts to over a ninth (11.4 per cent.) of the entire tonnage of the country. An account of purchases of ore was obtained from the furnace companies in these localities, with the name of the producer, the price and technical name of the ore, and the name of the county where the ore was mined, or, more properly, dug. Great care has been taken to avoid duplication of any of the amounts so produced, by comparing the names taken from the books of the smelting establishments with the names on the regular schedules of production received from our agents.

It will therefore be observed that no items based on this "irregular product" appear in the columns of employés, wages, materials, capital, etc.

The columns of production, both "regular" and "irregular", contain no estimates, but are made up from authentic returns.

A small amount of ore raised in Colorado is omitted, as it is used as a flux, and does not, as yet, affect the iron-manufacturing industry.

The total production, 7,974,806 tons, exceeds the amount reported as consumed in manufacturing establishments by Mr. Swank (7,709,706 tons) by 265,100 tons. There was imported during the census year at the ports of Buffalo, Boston, Oswego, Philadelphia, New York, and Baltimore 439,451 tons, from which it would appear that the stocks of ore on hand must have increased during the census year about 704,551 tons, or that only 91.62 per cent. of the ore produced (and imported) was consumed during the period. In view of the fact that there was a scarcity of iron ore in 1879, and that many new mines were opened in consequence, whose stocks failed to reach consumers before the summer of 1880, the two results are easily reconcilable.

The value of the ore is taken at the mine, or at the point of the delivery to a customer or a transportation company, but always at the point where the expenses of labor and material, which come under our consideration, cease. Where the ore is smelted by the same company which mines it, it not unfrequently happens that the cost and value as returned are the same, since the ore is regarded as part of the furnace supplies. This has had the effect of depressing slightly the value returned to us below the market price, and of carrying part of the profits of mining into the manufacture of pig-iron.

In nearly all of the iron-mining districts of the country, though the systems of labor vary, it is the custom that each miner or underground laborer furnish his oil or candle, and when working by the ton, his own powder and fuse. The amounts thus expended have, as far as possible, been deducted from the pay of the men and added to the cost of material, in order that the column headed "wages" might more nearly represent the net cash income of the laborer available for his support.

"Labor" is classified with regard to age and occupation. In the underground mines the classes of employés are well defined. In the open-cut and quarry mines the distinction between laborers and miners is more indefinite.

"Materials used" covers everything consumed in the business, including, among the more important items, feed for animals, timber, fuel, repairs of all kinds, tools, powder, fuse, lights, etc.

"Capital" is divided into—

First, "working capital," or the sum of money required to run the mine from month to month and to pay wages and buy materials in producing the stock that is ordinarily carried. Taking the broad view of the entire industry, this portion of the capital is represented by marketable product and is not jeopardized.

Second, "plant," which represents the permanent openings, roads, buildings, machinery, etc., which are subject to rapid deterioration, require constant repairs, and are of little value when the mine is exhausted.

Third, "real estate," which means the land as a mineral producer, its value as such being considered apart from its possible value for agricultural or forestry purposes. This value is a fund which is constantly diminished as the ore is withdrawn, and eventually reaches zero; and must be made good by capitalizing the royalties. The lands in question are not wild lands, but such as are attached to a working mine. Their acreage cannot be given, as iron-ore deposits are irregular in their occurrence, but their extent is such that for all practical purposes their present annual yield may be regarded as not likely to be diminished for many years.

REMARKS ON TABLE 17.

a

Table 17 contains the averages drawn from the data in Table 16.

In finding the average net income of a man, the three classes of labor are considered together, and two boys are considered the equivalent of one man in earning capacity.

The year, which is divided in percentages of time lost and made, is the working year of twelve months of 25 working days each.

The small amount of time lost in strikes, equivalent to the average working lifetime of two men only, shows that no serious conflict between capital and labor arose during the census year in this industry. **b**

The low rate of monthly wages must be qualified by the consideration that the miner receives the advantages of low rent and prices of the necessaries of life, and in some cases privileges which cannot be brought into columns of statistics, but which tend to equalize his condition with the higher-paid labor of cities.

As stated before, the price of ore in some of the states, notably Georgia, North Carolina, Tennessee, Ohio, Virginia, and West Virginia, is seriously lowered by the fact that it is returned by furnace companies who, in many cases, include, in the price given, no allowance for royalty nor profit, as they charge it to their furnaces at cost. We have not felt at liberty to change the price fixed by a producer without positive information.

The product would replace the capital employed and invested in little more than three years, but the profits and royalty would require nearly seven and three-quarter years to effect the same result. It requires an investment of \$8 75 on the average to produce a ton of ore yearly. **c**

The annual product, as will be observed, is but little in excess of one-half of the maximum capacity. The mines which yield ore fit for the manufacture of Bessemer steel, however, approach much nearer their greatest possible yield. "Maximum capacity" means an estimate of what could be produced from present developments, with present appliances, under the stimulus of a pressing demand. It could be attained with an increase of working capital and labor only. Its excess over real product is partly accounted for by the fact that many new mines went into operation during the latter part of the year.

The following table presents some comparisons with the census of 1870:

TABLE 18.

Changes in the iron-ore mining industry in the United States during the decade ending June 1, 1880, expressed in d percentages on the returns of the census of 1870.

	Per cent.
Gain in number of establishments	91.67
Gain in total number of employés	110.81
Gain in total horse-power of steam-engines	189.69
Gain in amount paid as wages	39.48
Gain in amount paid for material	126.33
Gain in total capital	247.61
Loss in value per ton of product	25.45
Gain in value of total product	75.45
Gain in tonnage of total product	135.00
Gain in product of regular establishments	108.00
Loss in yearly income of man	32.13
Loss in per cent. of value of product paid for labor	5.19
Gain in per cent. of value of product paid for materials	4.46
Gain in per cent. of value of product retained for royalty, interest, profits, etc	0.74

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The gain in the total number of mine employés, 110.81 per cent., is slightly more than the gain, 108 per cent., in the product of the establishments to which they belong. This arises from the fact that many new mines were opened in 1879-'80, which were not productive till the latter part of the year. The effectiveness per man has undoubtedly been increased by the increased use of power, as shown in the large per cent., 189.69, and by the introduction of improved drilling machinery and high explosives. The census of 1870, unfortunately, affords no basis for making this important comparison. **f**

Proportionately more is expended for material and less for labor than was the case in 1870. This arises partly from the fact that wages are reduced to net wages, as explained before, and partly from a real increase in consumption of supplies as mining becomes more systematic and dependent on mechanical appliances.

The average yearly incomes of labor cannot be justly compared, for the same reason that we cannot compare its effectiveness, *i. e.*, because we cannot ascertain the proportion of the year lost in 1870.

The number of boys employed has increased at a much more rapid rate than the number of men. They now constitute 5 per cent. of the entire force, and have increased 348 per cent. in ten years.

The large gain in capital, 247.61 per cent., is explained by the fact that all iron-ore producing property was included in the present census, whether it belonged to the mine operator or was leased or worked on a royalty. Viewing the iron lands returned as a whole, they are capable of keeping up the present annual yield for na

a indefinite time, though parts of them may become rapidly exhausted. Extending the average royalty of 42 cents a ton to the entire product, we would have a yearly income of over three millions of dollars, or rather more than 6.25 per cent. on the returned value of the real estate. In view of the fact that this income, though not likely to be diminished for fifty years to come, is very far from being a perpetual annuity, it will be seen that the present value of the real estate is not overestimated.

After taking out the royalty charge, if from the remainder of the annual net receipts we deduct an amount equal to 6 per cent. interest on the working capital, there is left, in round numbers, the sum of \$4,690,000. The "plant", consisting of animals, boilers, engines, tools, buildings, cars, tracks, etc., is subject to a deterioration of not far from 30 per cent. yearly. Deducting this, leaves \$2,096,000 as the profits and expenses of the general **b** management of the business, or a trifle over 9 per cent. of the value of the annual product, a proportion which cannot be called excessive; for it must be remembered that, though the income of the business, *as a whole*, is a steady and regular addition to our national wealth, each individual mine is subject to interruptions from accidents, and to exhaustion of the mineral deposit. Consequently, the net income of each individual mine cannot be regarded as consisting solely of interest, royalty, and profits, but must be charged, for safety, with a certain sum for insurance against unforeseen contingencies, which would not be necessary if one company owned the entire property.

The conditions of iron-ore mining are so different in different districts that only the most general analysis can be applied to the totals. The above considerations show that the general relations between capital and production spread over our returns are harmonious, and are given, not so much with a view to prove the healthy condition of the industry, as to justify the assertion that our valuations of capital are very far from extravagant, though the **c** period during which they were made—the summer of 1880—was one of great activity in iron mining.

It may be observed, too, that the real estate which furnishes the "irregular product" of 909,977 tons is far from worthless as mineral land, though we have not included it in our valuation. Its principal value, however, consists in the fact that it affords its owners a field for moderately remunerative labor.

The average price per ton has fallen from \$3 89 to \$2 90, or 25.45 per cent. As gold averaged about 30 per cent. above the the paper dollar in 1870, the true fall in iron ore is only 14 cents a ton.

Since the last census was taken the average price per ton has changed in the five great states as follows: In Michigan it has fallen 15 per cent.; in Missouri it has risen 56.32 per cent.; in New Jersey it has fallen 30 per cent.; in New York it has fallen 29 per cent.; in Pennsylvania it has fallen 35 per cent. These irregularities are chiefly due to the increased demand for ores suitable to the manufacture of Bessemer steel.

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TABLE 19.—List of iron-ore producing states in order of the production of 1880.

States.				States.					
	Total product.	Per cent. of total product.	Per cent. of total value of product.		Total product.	Per cent. of total product.	Per cent. of total value of product.		
	<i>Tons.</i>				<i>Tons.</i>				
1	Pennsylvania.....	2,185,075	27.407	23.817	13	Massachusetts.....	62,637	0.785	0.977
2	Michigan.....	1,887,712	23.044	26.051	14	West Virginia.....	61,216	0.767	0.394
3	New York.....	1,262,127	15.827	15.776	15	Wisconsin.....	41,440	0.519	0.316
4	New Jersey.....	757,872	9.497	12.594	16	Connecticut.....	35,018	0.439	0.638
5	Ohio.....	547,463	6.864	5.480	17	Oregon.....	6,972	0.087	0.023
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6	Missouri.....	386,197	4.843	7.230	18	Maine.....	6,000	0.075	0.039
7	Alabama.....	191,676	2.404	0.872	19	Texas.....	3,600	0.046	0.035
8	Virginia.....	182,326	2.286	1.800	20	North Carolina.....	3,318	0.041	0.023
9	Maryland.....	139,628	1.751	1.820	21	Delaware.....	2,720	0.034	0.028
10	Tennessee.....	104,465	1.310	0.638	22	Vermont.....	500	0.007	0.012
11	Georgia.....	91,416	1.147	0.621	23	Indiana.....	513	0.007	0.004
12	Kentucky.....	64,809	0.813	0.716		The United States.....	7,071,706		

TABLE 20.

f The rank of the 16 states reported in the census of 1870, as producers of iron ore, was as follows:

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| 1. Pennsylvania. | 5. Ohio. | 9. Massachusetts. | 13. Vermont. |
| 2. Michigan. | 6. Missouri. | 10. Wisconsin. | 14. North Carolina. |
| 3. New York. | 7. Maryland. | 11. Kentucky. | 15. Delaware. |
| 4. New Jersey. | 8. Tennessee. | 12. Virginia. | 16. Indiana. |

The 6 great iron states retain in 1880 their former relative rank, and Alabama, a new state, takes the rank next them. Pennsylvania and Michigan yield over one-half the entire product. The 6 states at the head of the list yield 87.48 per cent. of the total, which is worth 90.94 per cent. of the total value. Sixteen states were reported in 1870 against 23 at present. The new iron-producing states are Alabama, Georgia, West Virginia, Connecticut, Oregon, Maine, and Texas. They produce 4.96 per cent. of the product. Virginia has gained four places; Maryland and Tennessee have lost two, Massachusetts four, and Kentucky one.

TABLE 21.—List of counties of the first class producing over 100,000 tons.

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	County.	State.	Tons.		County.	State.	Tons.
1	Marquette	Michigan	1,340,805	8	Blair	Pennsylvania	154,014
2	Essex	New York	631,807	9	Saint François	Missouri	144,205
3	Morris	New Jersey	568,420	10	Lawrence	Ohio	130,404
4	Menominee	Michigan	401,347	11	Dutchess	New York	120,054
5	Lehigh	Pennsylvania	410,700	12	Northampton	Pennsylvania	122,520
6	Berks	do	304,054	Total of 12 counties of the 1st class.			4,880,510
7	Lebanon	do	285,020				

The 12 counties above produced 61.06 per cent. of the entire tonnage, of which total Marquette county, Michigan, must be credited with 16.88 per cent.

Menominee county, Michigan, is the only one of the above which did not produce iron ore in 1870. The total number of counties from which reports have been received and tabulated is 135, against 71 in 1870, a gain of a little over 90 per cent.

TABLE 22.—List of counties of the second class producing less than 100,000 tons and over 50,000 tons.

	County.	State.	Tons.		County.	State.	Tons.
13	Clinton	New York	92,100	21	York	Pennsylvania	70,038
14	Orange	do	90,742	22	Jefferson	New York	64,111
15	Crawford	Missouri	87,033	23	Berkshire	Massachusetts	62,037
16	Putnam	New York	94,117	24	Dent	Missouri	58,878
17	Sussex	New Jersey	80,005	25	Iron	do	57,207
18	Lancaster	Pennsylvania	78,850	26	Warren	New Jersey	50,214
19	Fayette	do	70,140	Total of the 14 counties of the 2d class.			1,050,823
20	Cumberland	do	76,015				

The above 14 counties, in 5 states, produce 13.25 per cent. of the entire product. The 26 leading counties produce 74.31 per cent. of the entire product, leaving 25.69 per cent. to be spread over the remaining 109 counties.

The following table contains a list of all mines or industrial establishments producing over 50,000 tons during the census year, in the order of their production:

TABLE 23.

State.	County.	Name of mine.	Product.	Value of product.	Employés.
			Tons.		
Pennsylvania	Lebanon	Cornwall Ore Bank	260,000	\$500,000	135
Michigan	Marquette	Republic	224,000	800,000	600
Do	do	Lake Superior Iron Company	215,930	771,180	542
Do	Menominee	Norway & Cyclops	210,875	527,187	510
New York	Essex	Old Bed	208,416	744,344	321
Do	do	Mine 21	187,448	238,525	282
Missouri	Saint François	Iron Mountain	144,158	1,001,801	300
Michigan	Marquette	Jackson	134,585	500,582	252
Do	do	Cleveland Iron Mining Company	125,440	448,000	450
New York	Essex	Crown Point	112,000	500,000	450
Michigan	Marquette	Champion	90,000	355,748	350
New Jersey	Morris	Glendon Hibernia	85,023	382,245	550
Michigan	Menominee	Vulcan	83,304	208,485	200
Do	Marquette	Michigamme	66,158	212,052	197
Do	Menominee	Quinnesec	63,689	150,220	178
Missouri	Crawford	Merimee Iron Mining Company	60,385	134,788	184
New York	Putnam	Tilly Foster Iron Mines	56,000	131,500	250
Missouri	Iron	Pilot Knob	52,761	115,093	410
New Jersey	Morris	Mount Hope	50,879	204,390	194
Total			2,460,845	8,222,040	6,885

The preceding 19 mines yielded 34.85 per cent. of the entire tonnage of the "regular mines", the value of which reached 40.16 per cent. of the value of the total. The labor employed by them, however, aggregates only 20.06 per cent. of the entire force, as it is generally worked more continuously and at higher wages.

The product of the Cornwall Ore Bank was 3.97 per cent. and of the Republic 3.17 per cent. of the entire product of the regular mines.

One hundred and seventy-four mines have been opened during the census year, or 21.6 per cent. of the total reported.

During the census year the iron-mining industry consumed 6,907,931 linear feet of round timber for props, etc., valued at \$114,951; 8,625,463 superficial feet of sawed lumber, valued at \$128,110; and 88,443 cords of wood for fuel, valued at \$177,309; all of which is included in the gross amount of materials used.